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WILSON FEARS AGITATION MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

Mexican Situation So Delicate That President Will Refuse to Permit Ambassador Wilson to Appear Before House Committee

HASTY DECLARATION OF POLICY OPPOSED

Secretary Bryan and President Deny That European Powers Have Urged Action—Present Ambassador Will Not Be Returned

BULLETIN

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 1.—A sensation was caused in Latin-American revolutionary and government circles by the arrest here tonight of Graymond Matthews, special agent of the United States department of justice, J. L. Mott, his assistant, and Ernesto Fernandez y Arceaga, representative here of the constitutional party in Mexico, on the charge of blackmail.

The arrests resulted from an appeal made to the local police by Emmanuel Castillo Brito, former governor of the state of Campeche, Mexico, who stated that he had been approached by one of the three with the copy of a telegram which purported to have come from Washington, signed "McKernolds," ordering Brito's arrest.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Developments in the Mexican situation today were confined to efforts on the part of the administration to prevent unnecessary agitation over the revolution.

So far as the United States is informed, both the federals and the constitutionalists are complying with the desire of the American government for the protection of foreigners and their property, and there is a hopeful feeling manifest in official circles that efforts of influential Mexicans to bring about peace may be successful.

In the meantime, President Wilson and his advisers are opposed to any attempt to force the American government into hasty declaration of policy.

Secretary Bryan promptly denied today a story that European governments are pressing the United States to action. On the authority that the president himself it is known that the only documents from foreign powers to the United States on the subject in recent months were those transmitted when the diplomatic representatives in Mexico City recently gave a description of conditions in the republic to their home governments, with the request that the information be conveyed to the United States.

The president has told inquirers within the last 24 hours that in no case was there any suggestion or intimation of action desired, but merely a recital of conditions.

In view of any possible aggravation of the situation, which, in the view of the officials here, is slowly adjusting itself, it became known that the administration does not look favorably on the proposal to have Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson appear before the house committee on foreign affairs.

For this reason it is believed that when Chairman Flood of the house committee on foreign affairs consults the president or Secretary Bryan about summoning the ambassador before the committee he will be informed that while no objection exists to the idea of allowing the house committee the same information which the ambassador gave the senate committee, the administration is strongly desirous not to agitate the situation any further, especially in view of the fact that Mr. Wilson is not likely to go back to Mexico as the American ambassador.

INSULTER OF FLAG BACK IN REGIMENT

Militiaman Who Trampled on Stars and Stripes Reinstated at Comrades' Demand

SASKATOON, Sask., Aug. 1.—A member of the Saskatoon militia who was court martialled and discharged from his regiment for trampling an American flag under his feet in a parade last night was reinstated today.

The other members of his regiment threatened to resign if the dismissal of their comrade was allowed to stand. When the One Hundred and Fifth fusiliers was marching down the main thoroughfare of the city a young girl in a passing automobile waved an American flag in front of one of the members of the bugle band of the regiment.

The man broke ranks, caught the flag, broke the staff in two and trampled the flag under his feet, the majority of the regiment passing over it also.

REVOLT NOT BROKEN. SUN YET SEN REPORTS

Rebel Leader Goes to Hongkong to Get Support Against President Yuan

SHANGHAI, China, Aug. 1.—Dr. Sun Yet Sen, one of the leaders of the southern rebellion, declared today that the reconquest of Nanking by government forces was only temporary. The spirit of the southerners, he affirmed, was undaunted. Dr. Sun Yet Sen will leave Shanghai tonight for Hongkong, where he will appeal for support in his campaign to overthrow Provisional President Yuan Shih Kai for crimes which the southern leader claims have been committed by the president.

WOMAN FAILS IN RESCUE

Risking Life to Save Man, She Brings Only Corpse Ashore

Mrs. Walter H. Scott, wife of the second vice president of the Pacific Hardware and Steel company, who returned from Hawaii yesterday, distinguished herself on the island of Kauai by a brave attempt to save her brother in law, Ralph Wilcox, from drowning. At the risk of her life she swam through the breakers, but he was dead before she could get him ashore.

WOMAN KILLS TWO BUCKS

Mrs. W. E. Wright, Carmel, Bags Four Pointers on First Day of Season

ARBOLEDO, Aug. 1.—Mrs. William E. Wright of Carmel killed two magnificent four point bucks near here today. Assistant District Attorney Peckham killed a five pointer near Poncetons on the Liagas and W. B. Denhart, a retired banker, bagged a mountain lion near Soledad.

ASTOR'S INHERITANCE TAX

William Vincent Will Pay State of New York \$2,741,833

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—William Vincent Astor will pay the state of New York a tax of \$2,741,833 on his inheritance of \$38,959,989 from the estate of his father, the late John Jacob Astor. The tax was fixed by the surrogate today. The total tax paid by the whole estate is \$3,316,952.

ARCTIC EXPLORERS SAIL

Steamer Erik Coaveys McMillan Expedition to Crockerland

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Aug. 1.—The steamer Erik with the Donald B. McMillan expedition on board sailed for Crockerland today. The damaged steamer Diana, on which the expedition started, was brought here from Battle Harbor and its stores were transferred to the Erik.

ARRESTED FOR BLACKMAIL

German Clerk Alleged to Have Threatened Lord Rothschild

LONDON, Aug. 1.—A German clerk named Cremerskoten was arrested here tonight charged with attempting to blackmail Lord Rothschild. It is alleged that Cremerskoten threatened to murder Lord Rothschild unless he gave him \$150,000.

MYSTERY VEILS SHOOTING OF MEXICAN AGENT

Louis Schisino, General Carranza's Man, Spirited Away Aboard Bilboa From Rebel Headquarters

SPEEDING SOUTH IN RACE AGAINST DEATH

Police Informed of Attempted Murder—Discover Departure of Schooner

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

OAKLAND, Aug. 1.—Out in the Pacific ocean, speeding southward, is the high power schooner Bilboa, recently purchased by the revolutionary interests of Mexico, carrying Louis Schisino, representative of General Carranza, leader of the revolt against the Huerta government, who is lying from bullet wounds in the head and right shoulder.

Schisino is said to have been shot last night at the Carranza headquarters in Oakland, the exact location of which is kept secret, while quarreling over money alleged to be due him for the transportation of arms and ammunition into Mexico.

Mystery veils the entire affair. The report that Schisino was shot was made to the authorities this afternoon by friends of the Mexican agent. For hours the police combed the water front and the district where Mexican families reside, but all to no avail.

All that the police could learn was the sudden and mysterious departure of the Bilboa from her moorings at the Webster street wharf early this morning.

No one about the water front knew of Schisino. No one had heard of a shooting affray last night.

Yet the friends of Schisino insist that he was shot twice in this city last night, and that the men responsible for the shooting carried him away, presumably to the schooner Bilboa.

The body of an unidentified man was found on the beach yesterday about five miles north of Half Moon bay, and wounds on the body indicate that the man was murdered. The victim had suffered a gunshot wound in the right breast in addition to a knife cut on the left side and a fractured skull. All of the man's clothes were missing save a tie, hose and shoes, all of which were of good quality. The unknown was about 40 years old, bald, weighed about 175 pounds and was 5 feet 7 inches tall. The body apparently had been in the water.

The sheriff and district attorney of San Mateo county are investigating.

REPORTS OF SMUGGLING

For months reports have come to the police that smuggling of arms and ammunition from this city into Mexico by means of swift power schooners has been going on. Boats were watched and Mexicans known to be allied with the Carranza forces were followed. But no tangible evidence was ever secured, nor any trace of the revolutionists' headquarters, said to be located somewhere near the water front.

A number of gasoline motor schooners have been clearing for southern ports recently, after receiving cargoes, consisting apparently of canned goods, clothing and bedding. It has been suspected that this cargo was merely a blind to cover long cases of arms in the bottom of the hold.

The schooner Bilboa, whose mysterious sailing this morning is believed to be connected with the alleged shooting of Schisino last night, was purchased by the Mexican interests less than a month ago from the British sealing fleet in Alaskan waters, where it was known as the Magellan.

BILBOA REFITTED

A high power gasoline engine and a modern propeller were installed in the boat at the Pacific ways and shipyards in Oakland harbor. The work was completed yesterday and she was hauled up on the mud flats. But early this morning she was hauled into the water and as quickly as possible left the harbor.

She is commanded by Captain Saunders and has a crew of Mexican navy men, who do not speak English. It is believed she carries a cargo of rapid fire guns and a store of ammunition, of which the rebels are in great need. The Bilboa has tried several times to clear from San Francisco bay before, but each time something happened. Once her former captain and mate were arrested for stealing brass work out of the hold just as she was on the eve of sailing. The last delay was caused by the installation of the new engine.

EVELYN THAW A BANKRUPT

She Tells Court She Owes \$6,000 and Has But \$250

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, Harry K. Thaw's wife, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the federal district court this afternoon. Her liabilities she gives as \$3,054, her assets as \$250, represented by furniture. Her chief creditors, she states, are a woman's tailoring establishment, to whom she owes \$2,384, and silversmiths who recently obtained judgment of \$2,650 against her.

HEAD OF STATE AND LAWYER IN TILT AT HEARING

"Matter of Indifference Whether the Highway Board's Action Meets Political Approval"

GOVERNOR RESENTS APPARENT THREAT

Two Interpretations of \$18,000,000 Road Act Are Set Forth

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 1.—Two interpretations of California's \$18,000,000 highway act with proponents of each backing their construction of the law by statistics, figures and what seemed irrefutable logic, were three times heard today by the advisory board of the department of engineering in session in Governor Johnson's office to consider finally arguments on the three big highway routing disputes.

The question of whether the highway act contemplated the building of a system of roadways north and south through the state in the most direct route possible, or whether the law should be construed to mean the most advantageous route to the people and yet generally carry out the direct principle, was thrashed out from all angles.

VERDICT NEXT WEEK

At the close of the hearings, which lasted from 9 a. m. until 5:15 p. m., with an hour's intermission for luncheon, Governor Johnson, who acted as chairman of the board, announced that a final verdict in the three disputes would be given on his return from Los Angeles late next week.

The routes under discussion today were: From Fresno to Bakersfield; from Bakersfield to Los Angeles, and from Sacramento to Sallinas.

The Sargents-Sallinas controversy contributed a tilt between Governor Johnson and Attorney J. E. Gardner of Watsonville, when the latter in closing his speech said that the people would not forget it if the highway was routed any other way than through Watsonville and Castroville.

Governor Johnson appeared to regard this as a political threat, and said:

"SUPREMELY INDIFFERENT"

"Gentlemen, so that there may be no misunderstanding at these hearings, it is a matter of supreme indifference to me whether the action of this board shall meet with criticism or approval, politically, hereafter. Every man on this board has striven to do the best he can to solve this problem. They will not fear the consequences hereafter. It will not be necessary, therefore, in discussion to refer to this matter."

Attorney Gardner explained that he meant no offense.

Arguments over the Fresno-Bakersfield controversy brought forth the charge by State Harbor Commissioner J. J. Dwyer and Attorney Francis J. Henry that Attorney General Webb's interpretation of the highway act was inconsistent.

"Attorney General Webb's opinion on the highway act is inconsistent with itself," said Dwyer when C. L. Russell, leader of the delegation favoring the direct route between Fresno and Bakersfield, quoted the attorney general to the effect that the law contemplated the most direct route.

Henry supported Dwyer, declaring the attorney general admitted the ambiguity of the statute, and then attempted to construe it in detail.

GIRL FALLS OVER A CLIFF

Willows Victim, Christian Scientist, Gets Absent Treatment

(Special Dispatch to The Call) WILLOWS, Aug. 1.—Miss Alice Throver of Chico fell over a cliff near Alder Springs today and is believed to be fatally injured. She was swinging, when the rope broke. Miss Throver is a Christian Scientist and refuses to let a physician attend her. She is being given absent treatment by Christian science practitioners in Sacramento, Chico and San Francisco.

COWBOY TOGS FATAL TO 12

Death of Girl by Fire Prompts Brooklyn to Ban Fringed Clothes

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Twelve children at play have been burned to death in Brooklyn this summer while wearing fringed Indian and cowboy suits. The death today of the twelfth victim, a 5 year old girl, caused the coroner's office to warn parents against permitting children to wear play costumes with inflammable fringes.

BITTEN BY HIS MAD CHILD

Father of Girl Victim Leaves to Take Pasture Treatment

(Special Dispatch to The Call) AUBURN, Aug. 1.—Edward White of Bowman, whose child, Florence, died a few days ago of rabies, has gone to Berkeley to receive treatment for rabies. White was bitten by his own child during a violent spell just before her death.

ROMANCE UNITES FAMILIES Wedding Renews Old Friendship

Mrs. George W. Bailey, Honolulu belle, whose marriage to son of wealthy Boston manufacturer was the culmination of a romantic courtship. She arrived here yesterday on the liner Sierra with her husband.



Sierra Brings Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bailey Who Were Married in Honolulu

The marriage in Honolulu last June of George W. Bailey, son of a wealthy Boston manufacturer, to Miss Alice Cooper, one of the belles of Hawaiian society and the daughter of Judge E. Cooper, was not only a social event of importance, but the crowning of a pretty romance. Judge Cooper and Mr. Bailey's father were boyhood chums, and the marriage of their children was made the occasion to renew that friendship after a separation of 35 years.

GAMBLING CLUB VICTIM SPEEDS SHOT TO HEART

Spending Last Cent on His Bride, He Seeks Suicide, While She Watches Deed

Despondent over gambling losses, Harry H. Hamilton, 35 years old, night watchman at the Phelan building, kissed his young wife goodby in an office on the mezzanine floor of the building last evening and shot himself through the heart. He is at the central emergency hospital, probably dying.

The hospital stewards found a card of membership in the Waldorf club in his pocket. His wife had asked for his money, as she had none for car fare. There was not a cent in his clothes.

Since the Hamiltons were married nine months ago, they had lived at 2074 Union street, and had been happy together, according to Mrs. Hamilton.

Celebrating payday, Hamilton called Mrs. Hamilton on the telephone last evening and suggested a dinner downtown. Mrs. Hamilton had a new hat which she surprised her husband with. They had a good time, although they went to a cheaper restaurant than Mrs. Hamilton expected, and although the wife did not know it, Hamilton spent his last cent for the plain restaurant.

He took his wife to the Phelan building afterward.

Mrs. Hamilton went to an upper floor to consult her physician. Returning, she found Hamilton toying with his revolver.

"Run out and see what time it is, Bess," Hamilton said. "But kiss me goodby before you go."

When Mrs. Hamilton came back she heard the revolver click. He was holding the barrel to his heart. "I missed that one, honey," he said. The revolver clicked again. "I missed that one, too, Bess," he said.

"For God's sake, don't play the fool, Harry!" she said, turning her back. Mrs. Hamilton said she did not hear the shot. When she looked around the revolver had dropped to the floor and her husband had dropped in his chair. Mrs. Hamilton said the grocery bill is due and the rent is unpaid.

AUTHORITIES HUNT PRINCE WHO WED ANGELENO HEIRESS

Vienna Laundress Deserted for Rich Bride and Story Arouses Federal Immigration Officers

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 1.—If Prince Stanislaus Sulkowski of Austria and his bride, who was Miss Marie Louise Freese, a Los Angeles heiress, can be found in the United States, their honeymoon will be interrupted for a time at least while federal immigration officials examine the prince relative to allegations made today by Clara Melcher, a Vienna laundress, to Dudley W. Robinson, assistant United States district attorney.

Mrs. Melcher, who said she had known the prince for six years while he was an Austrian army officer stationed in Vienna and had come to this country at his invitation, gave Robinson a bundle of letters to support her story.

This story also included the statement that the prince after a few days had announced to her that their association must end, as he intended to wed Miss Freese, and that following the hasty marriage to the heiress last Monday, he left her helpless and without funds in a strange country.

Robinson had these letters translated and read some of them, and immediately announced that federal agents would try to find the prince.

When the prince and his princess departed after their wedding no one knows excepting the father of the bride, August Freese, a millionaire landowner of California and Mexico, and he refused to impart any information other than that the nobleman and his bride were now beyond American jurisdiction.

Some of the letters were torn. Mrs. Melcher asserted that the mutilation was the work of an attorney who represented the prince and who had sought to effect a compromise. Robinson said he would have the lawyer summoned for examination tomorrow.

POLICEWOMEN APPOINTED

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—Mayor Harrison today appointed 10 police women in accordance with a recent order passed by the city council. They will be assigned to duty at public bathing beaches and dance halls.

HUGE PROFIT GATHERED BY WELLS FARGO IS ABOLISHED

State Railroad Commission Lops \$750,000, or 90 Per Cent, From Annual Revenue—Decision Is Most Drastic Yet Rendered—Two Years' Inquiry Shows Company Has Been Earning 136 Per Cent on Investment—New Rate Basis

CORPORATION NAMED RAILROAD PARASITE

"Its Existence Is Not Justified." Opinion Continues—Investigation of Relation to Carriers Is Urged—Millions Accumulated by Unjust Rates, Is Alleged—New Schedule Brings Income in California Down to \$61,000, or 10 Per Cent

After an investigation lasting two and a half years the California state railroad commission yesterday rendered a decision that wipes from the slate all existing express rates maintained by Wells Fargo & Co. within the state of California.

The commission substitutes therefore an entirely new schedule of rates, recasts the rules and regulations of the corporation and prescribes an absolutely new basis for rate making.

This action, which is the most drastic ever undertaken by the commission, will result in a reduction in the annual revenue of the Wells Fargo company in this state by approximately \$750,000.

The report finds that the express company has been earning as high as 136 per cent per annum upon its investment in California, and that on a minimum basis its earnings have been in excess of 111 per cent per year.

The reductions made by the commission will result in rates about 15 per cent lower than those now in force. The new rates are to go into effect in 60 days. The company is given the privilege of making a further showing after a six months' trial of the rates prescribed.

ZONE SYSTEM FIXED

Under the system ordered by the commission the state is checkerboarded into 10 mile block zones with definite charges from the points within one square to the points within every other square, and the same rates are made applicable to all points within each square. In addition, the state has been divided into sections in accordance with general traffic conditions.

The commission takes occasion to condemn sharply the practices of Wells Fargo & Co. and to criticize severely the relationship between the express company and the Southern Pacific company. The commission finds that Wells Fargo & Co. has been permitted to accumulate millions of dollars by overburdening the people with excessive and unjust rates.

It declares that the company is a parasite upon the railroads and that its existence is not justified by common sense and business judgment. The commission states further that, by reason of intercorporate relationships with Southern Pacific stock holders, the evidence indicates that Wells Fargo & Co. has been permitted to gather in annually \$2,500,000, which could be saved to the railroad.

FOR PRIVATE BENEFIT

The commission intimates that certain large interests, enjoying ownership in both the Wells Fargo and the Southern Pacific, have created this arrangement for their own individual profit at the expense of the railroad. The commission declares that such fraud as may be practiced either directly upon the railroad or indirectly upon the people must in the end be a fraud upon the people. It recommends

Business Is Good

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We want you to see this splendid home site and to tell us whether you have ever seen its equal at \$22.50 a foot, instead of \$30.50. And a first payment of only \$2.50 a foot for its 100 feet is all that is required.

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