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Twelve Thousand Men in Battle Which Gives Victory to Insurgent Chief

Associated Press. JUAREZ, Mexico, Dec. 24.—After heavy fighting at Torreon the rebel troops have retaken that city from the Huerta forces, according to reports brought by couriers today from Jimenez, half way between Chihuahua and Torreon. The reports said that 12,000 men had been engaged, that there was much loss of life and that General Monclovia Herrera, the rebel commander, had been wounded.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—Federals were dispatched from San Luis Potosi today in pursuit of the rebels who blew up a troop train at Charcos station and butchered the helpless federals who escaped death by the dynamite blast set off when the train passed. It is reported that 150 soldiers were killed.

JAP DIPLOMAT FOR MEXICO MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—Japan has sent a representative to Mexico. This became known today when an announcement was made that Mr. Sanjaya of the Japanese foreign office would arrive here next week with Commander Moriyama of the cruiser Izumo, now at Manzanillo. Elaborate preparations are being made to receive the envoy, whose coming is regarded as especially significant, in view of reports that Huerta sought the support of Japan and planned to live in Japan in case he is driven from power.

U. S. OFFICERS ENTERTAINED By Associated Press.

CULLACAN, Sinaloa, Mex., Dec. 24.—After being entertained here at a banquet and held Admiral Cowles commanding the United States Pacific fleet; Captain W. W. Gilmer of the cruiser Pittsburg and five other American naval officers left today for the coast. Felipe Riveras, constitutionalist governor of Sinaloa; General Turbe, insurgent commander in the state, and other Mexican officials probably will accept the admiral's invitation to visit the American ships today.

TORREON ATTACK PLANNED By Associated Press.

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 24.—Convinced that northern Mexico had been practically swept clear of federal opposition, General Francisco Villa today sent south a detachment of officers and ammunition and soldiers in preparation for an attack on Torreon.

Oil Spoils Duck Menu For Peninsula Epicures

Hillsborough is starting for ducks. This exclusive town has ducks a-plenty, but many a bit of these rare fowl has been served at the daily meals. It is all due to too much oil and it all happened this way: All oil that is dumped into the bay drifts to the marshes off Hillsborough. The importance of this thick that the ducks which alight on its surface are held prisoners. The oil clogs their wings and they are unable to fly. The hunters from Hillsborough found the fowl easy prey, but when prepared for the table the ducks bear the smell of petroleum.

3,000 Dentists for S. F. Congress in 1915

Three thousand dentists will attend the Panama-Pacific dental congress to be held in San Francisco in 1915, according to an estimate made today by Dr. Frank L. Platt, chairman of the local committee on organization. The Pacific coast dental congress commission of 1915 will finance this convention," said Doctor Platt. "Dentists in this vicinity already have subscribed \$13,000 for its promotion. Most of this is to be used in publicity work. We plan to have the world represented and to let the most remote communities know the scope of the meeting.

Bandit Slain in Fight With Posse; Battle On

PINEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.—After John Hendricksen, recently out of the penitentiary, had shot and wounded Deputy Sheriff Haynes and had, with members of his gang, beaten to death James Miller of Four Mile, Ky., 15 deputy sheriffs surrounded the outlaw in his cabin and on a charge of shots continued for several hours. One shot killed George Hawn, one of the Hendricksen party. Both sides are armed with Winchester rifles and the shooting is still going on.

Mexican Judge Says Wilson's Policy Wins

"President Wilson's Mexican policy has won the respect and investment of all of the better class of citizens in Mexico, save the personal following of Provisional President Huerta," said Judge Ygnacio Sepulveda, general counsel for the Wells Fargo Express company in Mexico, who reached Pecos, N. M., today for a holiday visit at the hacienda of Mrs. Phoenix A. Hearst. Judge Sepulveda is accompanied by Senora Sepulveda.

Rates Too Low, Says Phone Co.; Wants Raise

The Home Telephone and Telegraph company, declaring that the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company has established unduly low and discriminatory rates in and about Santa Barbara, has filed a complaint with the railroad commission, in which it asks the commission to investigate and establish a fair and uniform telephone rate.

Congressman Knowland Returns for Christmas

Congressman Joseph R. Knowland arrived in Alameda yesterday to spend the Christmas season with his wife and children. After the new year he will return to Washington accompanied by his family.

BOSTICK IS HOLDUP SWEARS PHYSICIAN WHO SAW ROBBERY



Police portrait of John Bostick, S. P. bandit suspect, showing extreme length of arms

Los Angeles Woman Identifies Suspect as Bandit When Shown His Picture—Prisoner Charged With Murder

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found on Bostick showed he had pawned the diamond at a pawnshop at 854 Market street December 3, two days after the Los Angeles holdup.

JEWELS ARE IDENTICAL

Another piece of jewelry forms a clew connecting Bostick with the Richmond train robbery. Sheriff Hammel gave corroboration to this Jew today when shown the stickpin Bostick wore when trapped. This pin consists of a big sapphire surrounded by 12 small diamonds. According to Hammel and the police, the jewels are identical with those on a ring taken from Mrs. Louise V. Murphy, now a resident of Los Angeles. She was a passenger on the train held up in Richmond November 14.

WILL TAKE BOSTICK SOUTH

After conferring with Chief of Police White he announced that he would return to Los Angeles this afternoon and that Bostick would be given a severe grilling on the journey.

TRAPPED BY QUESTIONS

Bostick, however, was trapped when cornered by two men familiar with the Union Iron works and the Southern Pacific machine shops, at both of which places Bostick said he had worked. He was ignorant of the details of both places.

PAWN TICKETS CLEWS

Besides Hammel and Broadhead, those who assisted in quizzing the prisoner included Detectives Tom Eagan, Jerry Dunn, Michael Burke, Ed Wren and George Richards. The half dozen pawn tickets found on Bostick formed the basis of one of the lines of inquiry. The first goods recovered from investigation of these tickets was the loose diamond. Arthur E. Coley who was the pawnbroker at the street yesterday and traced him until the police were summoned, had declared positively this diamond was taken from the engagement ring of his wife who, with himself, was on the train when it was held up. Today further identification, based on size, shape, color and a tiny scratch, was made by Grover Wilburn, brother in law and employee of William F. Gerhardt, a jeweler at 717 Market street, who sold the ring to Coley early in September. The ticket

LOOK UP NEW WILL UPHOLD INCOME TAX

Denounce Action of Eastern Suffragists in Refusing to Pay Assessment

California women are citizens of the best type. Given the vote they will accept it as a trust and do their best to be law abiding and public spirited. To a woman they refuse to join the movement started in the east to refuse payment of the income tax until all the women of the land are voters. Prominent women of the suffrage movement here have said:

Mrs. Austin Sperry, president of the Susan B. Anthony club—There is no need for any such action in California. We are all voters. I am not going to trouble myself about it. If I have any income I will certainly pay the tax demanded on it. I think we are trying to make good use of our citizenship, and that is not done by trying to evade the laws.

Mrs. Frank P. Deering—I doubt very much if any such movement is started in California. I don't see how we could here. Of course, women have refused to pay taxes and even had their goods sold rather than submit. But it would be very foolish for us to do anything of the sort.

When the men have been generous enough to give us the vote it seems to me we ought to do our very best to help out in every way and be glad to pay our share.

I do not believe there is any possibility of any such protest or refusal being made in the suffrage states. Nor do I think the suffrage leaders would advise it, no matter how ardent they may be.

Dr. Adelaide Brown—We are citizens of California and the United States, so there is no reason for us to refuse to pay our taxes.

We have all the benefits of the federal government, so we can hardly avoid the payment of its demands on us.

I am not doing any suffrage work at the present time, but am devoting my efforts to doing what I can in behalf of my own city.

Miss Selma Solomon—No such action can be taken in California. Of course, we have the vote. It is all very complex, but it would be idiotic to make any protest in California when we have the rights given us under the federal government.

Mrs. Robert A. Dean—It doesn't seem to me as though it would be quite the right thing to do. I think we of California can help the suffrage cause more in other ways. It would be a little like killing the goose that laid the golden egg if we, when we are given the right to vote, refuse to exercise it. Of course, we who have the franchise and those who know what it means to vote, can appreciate the frame of mind of Dr. Shaw and the other women, but I have voted seven or eight times. I am a citizen of the United States and must pay my tax.

CRY 'FOLLOW DR. SHAW'S LEAD'

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Suffragists throughout the United States are called upon to follow Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the National Suffrage association, in refusing to help tax collectors make property appraisals, as required by law, in a spirited statement given out today by equal rights exponents.

SLEEPY WORK NIGHT STUNT FALLS; DRING

Olar Czarnowski, one of the most daring and expert sleepwalkers in the world, who recently came here from New York, is dying at the central emergency hospital as the result of a fall incurred during the night.

Just what happened may never be known, as Czarnowski is unable to talk. Early this morning he was found lying on the first floor of the incomplete St. Francis hotel annex with a fractured skull and a broken leg and arm.

Big Christmas Tree And Presents Stolen

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 24.—Thieves last night broke into the Tabernacle church in this city and carried away a fully decorated Christmas tree and all the candy and presents that were to have been given away at the Christmas exercises this evening. The tree was more than 20 feet high and was fully decorated.

1906 Crash Shook Her Spouse's Love, She Says

The 1906 disaster shook apart Mary and Alfred Peterson, according to testimony in the divorce court in Oakland yesterday, by which she got an interlocutory decree.

VISIBLE SPEECH EXHIBIT

The "visible speech" exhibit at the University of California museum of anthropology at the affiliated colleges in this city will close tomorrow. This exhibit is the first attempt ever made to depict to the eye the sounds of human conversation and at the same time explain them intelligibly in a popular and nontechnical manner.

CONCERNATION ACT ANSWERS TO QUERIES

Problems Presented by New Legislation Answered by Board for The Call

The Call and Post's publication of questions and answers relating to the workman's compensation act is arousing great interest throughout the community, and many questions are being received. Following the some of them and the answers made by the industrial accident board of California:

Q.—If my clerk becomes injured for life and I have to support him, would my selling out my business absolve me from further damages? (A grocer.)

A.—We assume that the inquiry is with reference to whether or not the selling of his business by an employer, after an injury, and the right to compensation accrued, will cut off further right to compensation.

The short answer to this question is, that it will not. The liability for compensation, whatever may be the measure of compensation, is fixed by the relation of the parties at the time the injury or death occurs and is a continuing liability against the employer until satisfied. In this connection we quote sub section (e) of section 29, as follows:

"A claim for compensation for the injury or death of any employee, or any previous award or judgment thereon, shall have the same preference over the other unsecured debts of the employer as is given by law to claims for wages, salaries, or preference shall be for the entire amount of compensation to be paid, but this section shall not impair the lien of any previous award or judgment."

Q.—Is an employer of a Japanese janitor, whose duties about an apartment house are general housework, washing windows, facing street, also emergency repairing on elevator, liable for any accident during such work and also liable for those dependent upon him in case of death from accident in his performance of above duties?

A.—The answer to this question depends upon the proper application of the definition of an "employee" as stated in section 14 of the workman's compensation, insurance and safety act, which section is as follows:

The term "employee" as used in sections 12 and 13 of this act shall be construed to mean: Every person in the service of an employer as defined by section 14, whether or not such person is under contract of hire or apprenticeship, express or implied, and whether or not such person is an alien and also including minors, but excluding any person whose employment is in the service of the employer in the course of the trade, business, profession or occupation of the employer, and excluding any employee engaged in farm, dairy, stock, viticultural or horticultural labor, or stock raising, or in a household domestic service.

Unless the employe above designated falls under one of the excluded classifications there would be liability on the part of his employer. It is apparent that the employment is not casual and that it is in the usual course of the business of the employer, as it appears that the duties are continuous. The only other excluded classification under which this employe could be placed would be "household domestic service."

It is my opinion that the nature of the employment and the duties in and about which the employe is engaged do not constitute "household domestic service." The specified duties are those incident to the conducting of a business, i. e., the management of an apartment house, out of which we understand a revenue is derived. The duty of the janitor is not in the nature of a household domestic service, and we advise that the employer would be liable for compensation for any injury or death resulting from an accident arising out of and in the course of the employment while the employe is performing service growing out of and incidental to his employment, and that such rule would apply even though the employe is an alien. In the event of his death, as above stated, the employer would be liable for the payment of compensation to his dependents as defined in the act.

Q.—A enters into contract with B. B hires C at daily wages. B is hurt in performance of duty. B is responsible financially. Does the liability rest on B or on C? B is injured and the result of an accident arising out of and in the course of the employment while the employe is performing service growing out of and incidental to his employment, and that such rule would apply even though the employe is an alien. In the event of his death, as above stated, the employer would be liable for the payment of compensation to his dependents as defined in the act.

Girls Held as Robbers Protest Trial Delay

Over objections of the defendant's attorneys, Judge Dease this morning continued the cases until Friday of Florence Hayes and Gussie Franklin, charged with robbing Jose A. Martinez, a wealthy Mexican refugee, last month in an Exddy street lodging house.

ARMY HISTORIAN DEAD

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 24.—Captain Colwyn E. Hampton, U. S. A., retired, is dead, aged 42 years. He was today known as an army historian and writer of poetry. He was retired in 1910 because of illness.

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PENNY IN BUSINESS GOTHAM BOY'S THEME

CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

Write a letter of 250 words, giving your views on the advantages of the penny. Use only one side of the paper. Awards will be made as follows:

For the best letter.....\$50 in pennies
For the second best letter.....\$20 in pennies
For the third best letter.....\$15 in pennies
For the fourth best letter.....\$10 in pennies
For the fifth best letter.....\$5 in pennies
Address your contribution to Penny Contest Editor, The Call.

The Call had an extract yesterday from the letter written by a contestant who lives across the broad Pacific in Honolulu. Today there is one from the letter of a little lad in New York. The news of the penny contest had reached him across those many miles and he had also heard about the school children's saving habits accounts which interested him particularly.

He says he realizes the power of the penny and wishes they had children's savings accounts in New York schools. He also speaks of the power of the penny. It also speaks of the power of the penny. It also speaks of the power of the penny. It also speaks of the power of the penny.

SAVING OF CENTS FARE Penny Contest Editor: In several of the eastern cities the streetcar fare is 3 cents, and yet the car companies make money. If pennies were used as fare here, and we will say that 200,000 people make a round trip daily, at three-cents of the fare they are now paying it would mean a saving of \$6,000 per day, and in addition they would keep the pennies which they would have in their pockets. It is known that much of the local streetcar company money goes direct to the east. L. B. GROSS, 4073 Telegraph avenue, Oakland.

THE PENNY PAPER Penny Contest Editor: Penny evening papers will enable nearly all to become readers and thinkers, where before families and children never saw these great enlighteners. Thus an increase of 25 per cent in knowledge of perhaps 500,000 persons, mostly young, and at a time when they most need it, will be the result. It will make the coming generation acquainted with the right things they should lead and make boys more ambitious to earn their own money and spend it as they see fit. DANIEL P. SMALL, 810 Hotel, San Francisco.

PENNY AND PROSPERITY Penny Contest Editor: It is true that money is "easy" in good times. But can we not interchange the cause and effect and say that we have good times when money is easy? And by making more business possible does not the penny promote the good times? CHARLES A. PERKINS, 1435 Bonita avenue, Berkeley, A. B.

PENNY MARKS EPOCH Penny Contest Editor: The recent advent of the penny coin will mark an epoch in the financial transactions, and the importance of the penny is not appreciated as much now as it will be in a few years to come, but the business houses are doing a great deal to increase its value. CHARLES A. PERKINS, 1315 Polk street.

CAVALRY CHIEF FOR WOOD'S JOB

Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, now commanding the second cavalry brigade at Fort Bliss, Tex., is slated to become the next chief of staff on the retirement of Major General Leonard Wood, April 22, according to a persistent rumor in military circles of the western department.

SNOW FALLS IN SAN MATEO HILLS

For the first time in 34 years before Christmas, snow fell in the hills west of Redwood City this morning. The white mantle fell on the topmost peaks surrounding big and little basin and presented a picturesque sight against the dull black sky.

Sue Insurance Man For \$20,000 Premiums

The Pacific Coast Casualty company today filed for the collection of \$20,000 premiums alleged due from Marshall A. Frank company, on business secured by the company since October 22, 1910.

A Twenty Acre Farm Versus Four Building Lots

Twenty acres first-class farming land at Valley Oaks with well, pump and motor installed free, will cost you, say \$100 an acre or \$2000, with five years to pay.

Four buiding lots out in some fog belt may only cost \$500 each now, but add interest and taxes for five years and it's all outlay.

With your 20 acre farm it's different. Right away you plant and grow a crop which sells for more than it costs. You raise some quick-growing crops, as: vegetables, berries, alfalfa.

In the meantime you plant fruit trees and lay the foundation for those crops which produce year after year.

Town Lots Don't Produce All the time by intensive cultivation and improving, the land is increasing in value. Your town lots won't produce anything to support the family. You can live off your farm while paying for it.

When the five years have passed your farm has doubled or trebled in value. It is in demand. You own something worth while; something to make a living with, that no one can take away from you.

Valley Oaks is your answer. Call to see us about it.

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S.F. MAY GET REGIONAL BANK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—With all the power of a law fresh from the pen of President Wilson behind them, Secretary McAdoo and Secretary Houston today began working out details of the nation's new financial system.

Cities that can hardly be kept off a tentative list for regional banks include San Francisco, New York, Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans, with Denver, Atlanta and Seattle or Portland, Ore., near the top. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Boston and several others are asking for designation.

The two cabinet members, acting as an organization committee, will determine the important preliminary moves to the actual institution of the machinery that is to operate the federal reserve system.

PRESIDENT TO NAME BOARD

Although the law provides that the two secretaries shall join with the comptroller of the currency in the preliminary work of reorganization, the office of comptroller is vacant, and it has been decided that the two secretaries, constituting a majority of the committee, may go ahead. Later, the members of the federal reserve board of seven will be named by President Wilson. The secretary of the treasury and the new comptroller will be members of that body, and the other five will be chosen from private life. If President Wilson finally has made his selection for these five places, it is not known in Washington.

WILL SELECT CITIES

The first step to be taken by the secretaries will be the selection of cities where federal reserve banks, the backbone of the system, are to be located. The law provides for not less than eight and not more than 12. The organization committee is empowered to employ counsel and summon witnesses and papers and to go deeply into the location of the reserve reservoirs. Its decision is not subject to review by the federal reserve board.

It is possible that before the question of cities is decided the organization committee will visit cities suggested and report on an information gained at first hand.

Coghlan to Prosecute Powers Betrayal Case

Nate Coghlan, who assisted in the defense of Maury I. Diggs and F. Drew Caminetti, convicted of white slavery in the federal court, appeared in Judge Crist's court today as special prosecutor in the case of David G. Powers, star government witness in the Western Fuel company fraud cases, accused of betraying Miss Lena Caduff, 20 years old, to the underworld. Coghlan asked a continuance until Tuesday, when the preliminary hearing will be had.

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