

## REPLY OF PRES. MARROQUIN

AS TO POLITICAL SITUATION IN COLUMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA.

**Says Americans Are Well Guarded— Situation in the Interior Is Quiet— His Address to Americans—Thinks Treaty Has Been Violated—Appeals to National Conscience of United States to Save Their Honor.**

Bogota.—President Marroquin has made the following statement to the Associated Press, in response to queries as to the political situation in Colombia:

"United States Minister Beaupre and all Americans here are surrounded with every guarantee for their safety. My communications to the United States senate and to the people make manifest the attitude of my government on the Panama question. The situation in the interior of the Colombian republic is quiet."

President Marroquin's reference to his letter to the people of the United States is explained by the following address, which he has given to the correspondent of the Associated Press:

### President's Address.

"The President of Colombia to the American People: The Colombian nation has been the victim of unexpected aggression and is in danger of losing the best part of its territory. A military movement, not popular sentiment, was the origin of the proclamation of the independence of Panama. The American government, which had always been held by Colombia to be its best friend and ally, prevented, with marines, loyal militia from subjugating the traitors and checking the origin of the insubordination. The solemn treaty between Colombia and the United States, adhered to until the last by the American government, binds the United States not only to respect the sovereignty and ownership of the Panama isthmus by Colombia, but to help the latter maintain them.

"The proceedings of the United States marines on the isthmus and of the American minister here are in open violation of that treaty. The isthmus of Panama, the most coveted part of the globe and the most precious part of our fatherland, always has been respected by the nations as a sacred trust confided by Colombia to the honor and power of the American people. The traditions of that great nation, the United States, as a mighty defender of right and bearer of the standard of civilization before the world, always have been opposed to the cession of territories and the dismemberment of nations. Nonrecognition of the confederate states during the civil war confirms emphatically the application of this doctrine decisively at critical moments.

"The American people will not permit, I am sure, a violation of public treaties, thus denying their glorious traditions, in order to obtain by force what Colombia is ready to concede through pacific and equitable ways. Colombia heartily wishes to strengthen the ties of commerce and friendship with the United States and give higher impulse to the common interest and to the greater power and glory of her oldest sister republic. But the proceedings of the Washington government unhappily interfere with good feeling in both countries, putting a barrier in the way of a higher enterprise advantageous not only to them, but to humanity in general.

"The Colombian people, tranquil in the strength of right and being sure of the sentiments of justice and equity of the American people, appeal to the national conscience of the United States, which conscience constitutes a force superior by far to that of an army and navy, in order to save the honor and integrity of our territory. The Stars and Stripes, always dear to and respected by the republicans of both Americas, never shall be outraged or blemished in Colombia.

"No matter what the procedure of the government at Washington may be, the persons and the property of the citizens of the United States here remain confident to the traditional honor of the government and people of Colombia.

### "MARROQUIN."

#### Boodle in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 25.—Milwaukee is slowly but surely unraveling a story of graft and boodle that promises sensational developments that may put the city on the roll of dishonor occupied by Minneapolis, St. Louis and Grand Rapids.

#### Japanese Leave Tientsin.

Berlin, Nov. 24.—A dispatch from Port Arthur says 300 Japanese soldiers, with a few officers, have left Tientsin for Japan. The Nagasaki Shimpo, the dispatch adds, announces that a Japanese squadron of 12 vessels has left Jasebo for an unknown destination.

## ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEES.

Washington and Idaho Senators Fared Well.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—In the assignments to senate committees Washington has fared remarkably well. Senator Ankeny gets the chairmanship of the committee on coast and insular survey. This was Senator Foster's committee since he has been in congress. Ankeny is also a member of the committees on coast defenses, forest reservation and protection of game, irrigation, which are of particular importance to Washington.

Senator Foster, as chairman of the committee on geological survey, will be able to take care of many of Washington's important geological interests, which are growing greater every year. As a member of the committees on agriculture and forestry, Pacific islands and Porto Rico and pensions he will be enabled to work to all sections of the state. The commerce committee is another one in which Washington is particularly interested and inasmuch as it was an important committee, Foster did not become a member of it without a sharp contest with several other senators who coveted the place.

Senator Heyburn was given the chairmanship of the manufactures committee. The manufactures committee will have charge of pure food and similar legislation of importance. Senator Heyburn is also given membership on the committee on coast defenses, mines and mining, geological survey and investigation into trespass upon Indian lands.

### FOR SELLING NEGROES.

Twenty-Six Indictments Is Sued in Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 25.—For selling negroes into slavery and holding them in servitude, 26 indictments were returned by the grand jury against some of the most prominent Georgia citizens. They are Edward McRee, legislator; William and Frank I. McRee of Valdosta; William F. Crasley; Thomas J. McClelland, sheriff of Ware county; Clayton B. McLeod and Lester Williams of Montgomery county.

The McRee brothers operate the largest crate factory in the south and run a 22,000 acre farm. They are jointly and severally indicted for holding men, women and children in involuntary servitude.

William Crasley and Thomas McClelland are charged with effecting seizures. McLeod and Williams are charged with selling negroes.

### ARE FOR ROOSEVELT.

Senator Platt and Governor Odell of New York.

Newark, N. J., Nov. 24.—The News prints an interview which its Washington correspondent had with Senator T. C. Platt, in which the senator says that he and New York state are unequivocally for Mr. Roosevelt for president. Among other things Senator Platt says:

"I talked to Governor Odell and he declared to me he is in favor of Mr. Roosevelt.

"In the nomination and election of Mr. Roosevelt next year the republican party will be a unit. No one realizes this more than Senator Hanna."

### ROW AMONG THE CARDINALS.

Gotti, Indignant at Stories, Scolds His Fellows.

Rome, Nov. 25.—The meeting of the congress of the propaganda was one of the most disorderly ever held, and personal feeling ran high. Cardinal Gotti, it is reported, was indignant at some stories that have been circulated in connection with his attitude during the conclave and accused certain cardinals of disseminating false statements. He also declared that certain members of the sacred college have violated the traditions of that body.

### Gatling Guns Against Strikers.

Salt Lake, Nov. 26.—A special train of seven cars has left this city bearing the state troops who have been ordered into Carbon county, the scene of the disturbances between the striking coal miners and the Utah Fuel company. En route the train will take aboard the local guardsmen at Bountiful and Provo. Altogether the soldiers number about 400, and are prepared to stay in the disturbed district an indefinite length of time. Two gatling guns are included in the equipment taken from this city.

### Heinze vs. Standard Oil Co.

New York, Nov. 26.—Rumors of the defeat of an effort made by the Standard Oil-Amalgamated Copper company combine to bring about a compromise in the war with the Montana Ore Purchasing company, represented by F. Augustus Heinze and John MacGinniss, were prevalent. Leaders of both factions were assembled in this city, but no settlement was effected and the war will continue.

## THREE NORTHWEST STATES

LATE NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK BRIEFLY TOLD.

**Choice Selection of Interesting Items Gathered From Exchanges—Culings From Washington, Idaho, Montana—Numerous Accidents and Personal Happenings Occur.**

### WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Wenatchee has a population of 2500. The wheat market is at a standstill.

Thanksgiving day was celebrated in Moscow with a barbecue.

The new Wenatchee high school building has been completed.

The jury found James Schuck of Creston guilty of horse stealing.

About 65 per cent of the barley in Columbia county has been sold this fall.

The master plumbers and the union of Spokane are preparing for a long fight.

A company is preparing to put in an electric lighting plant at Newport, Stevens county.

At the penitentiary a special dinner was served to convicts and the day was observed fittingly.

A sick dog ambulance is the latest feature of the equipment of the Spokane Humane society.

W. A. C. 34, University of Montana 0, is the result of the football game last Saturday at Pullman.

The Potlatch Lumber company has at last resumed operations in its logging camps around Plouse.

The carpenters' union of Spokane has withdrawn its delegates from the Central Labor organization.

Harry V. Cross was almost disemboweled in a runaway at Seattle recently, and died in a hospital several hours later.

The Lake Chelan Navigation company, with a capital stock of \$20,000, is the name of a new corporation launched at Chelan.

At Ellensburg the 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Guet accidentally shot himself in the mouth with a 22 calibre rifle recently.

No finer church can be found in the United States north of San Francisco or west of St. Paul than the new Catholic church at Spokane.

The farmers and business men of Waitsburg have organized a horticultural society and will try to arrange for securing a produce house.

David Higgins, a pioneer, who came to Seattle from California in 1876 and established the Daily Intelligencer, died recently, aged 76 years.

One of the largest charitable institutions in Spokane county is the county poor farm at Spangle. It is more of a hospital for the needy and indigent.

Near Ellensburg the weather has moderated to such an extent as to permit the work on the Cascade canal to be resumed, and good progress is being made.

Mildred Fuller Wallace, daughter of Hugh C. Wallace and granddaughter of Chief Justice Fuller, died recently in Tacoma, after a three days' serious sickness.

Owing to bad health General T. R. Tannant some time ago tendered his resignation as president of the Inland Empire Horticultural and Floricultural association.

The dwelling of J. C. Heathman, about nine miles north of Hartline, was destroyed by fire recently. Loss about \$5000; insurance, \$10,000. It is not known how the fire started.

Daniel E. Durie, widely known in Seattle, of which city he was for a long time a resident, died in Tacoma Sunday afternoon. He was visiting friends at 1136 D street, where his death occurred.

General Manager Thomas Cooper of the Northern Pacific railway, has authorized the announcement that a new hospital for the benefit of Pacific coast employees of the company will be built in Tacoma at a cost of \$100,000.

A home at Spokane for consumptives is planned by Dean Robert Perine of All Saints' Episcopal cathedral, who expects to make it similar to the famous "home" at Denver, which is known all over the United States.

Ex-Senator and Mrs. George Turner were extended a most cordial welcome home by their friends and neighbors at Spokane Saturday night, in honor of their return from London, where Judge Turner served as a member of the Alaska boundary commission.

Nine year old Chester Beam tried to warn the engineer of danger, but the man at the throttle of the locomotive which was pulling Great Northern passenger train paid no attention. The result was that the train proceeded at full speed, and in a few seconds was derailed. The accident occurred about one mile east of Camden.

The construction of a new flour mill at Whatcom, with a daily capacity of 300 barrels, has been authorized at a special meeting of the directors of the Centennial Milling company. Presi-

dent Moritz Thomsen, of Seattle, was authorized to proceed with securing the site and with the immediate construction of the mill. The mill will cost about \$45,000.

### IDAHO SQUIBS.

Governor John T. Morrison and Attorney General Bagley were in Washington, D. C., recently, in connection with the order of the commissioner of the land office suspending the operation of the Carey act in Idaho until the legislature repeals the amendment in the state law authorizing the state to deed lands segregated under the act in large quantities. Mr. French is also looking up the matter of a bill to open the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation to settlement.

A public meeting of citizens was held at Nez Perce recently, when a commercial club was reorganized.

Grain hauling to the tramway at Nez Perce has resumed. The tramway officials expect to handle this year more than a million bushels of grain.

Mrs. Mary Wickersham, Shoshone county's superintendent of schools, is in the southern part of the country, where she will spend about 10 days visiting the public schools.

The land office has withdrawn from all forms of disposal four sections of land in the Boise (Idaho) land district for use in connection with the Dubois irrigation project. Thirty sections in the Blackfoot (Idaho) land district also have been withdrawn from disposal for a reservoir site on Boise river.

Advices from Payette say that 30,000 sheep are reported snowbound and probably lost in the Seven Devils range of mountains, east of the Weiser divide. The recent storm in that section of Idaho was severe, resulting in an extremely heavy snowfall in the hills and reports of losses of other bands of sheep are expected daily.

The case of Timothy Driscoll and Robert Nyfoam, charged with the stealing and changing of brands on sheep belonging to Newton Griffith, came on for a preliminary hearing before Probate Judge Jeffreys recently. Driscoll is a wealthy man, a large sheep and property owner at Payette. Nyfoam is his herder.

The football game Saturday afternoon at Lewiston was won by the Lewiston high school from the Colfax high school by a score of 17 to 5.

### MONTANA NOTES.

The appeal in the injunction suit of John MacGinniss against the Boston & Montana company came up for argument before the supreme court at Helena. This is the suit in which the decision of Judge Clancy last month was followed by the shutting down of the mines and smelters of the Amalgamated company in Montana.

A report says that four tribes of the Flathead reservation, Kalspells, Kootenais, Pend d'Oreilles and Flatheads, are up in arms against an order from the government to drive the stock of the Indians off the reservation because of the refusal to pay a tax of \$1 a head on stock where Indians own more than the limited number of cattle.

The seven representatives of the labor unions of Butte, Mont., who arrived in Washington, D. C., were entertained by President Roosevelt at luncheon Tuesday. The visitors were the leaders of an entertainment committee who received the president at Butte during his western trip and Mr. Roosevelt now desires to return the courtesy. In Washington they have become the special charge of Representative Dixon of Montana.

Dr. W. P. Miles, one of the best known and most prominent physicians of western Montana, was seriously, if not fatally, injured, in a runaway accident at Missoula Sunday.

Lars Hansen, one of the wealthiest and best known ranchers of southern Montana, committed suicide recently at his ranch, two miles from Dillon. From all indications, Hansen stood in front of a mirror and placed the muzzle of a double barreled shotgun to his head and fired.

### Summoned Delvosky to Russia.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 23.—The czar has summoned A. P. Delvosky, Russian ambassador at Copenhagen, Denmark, to St. Petersburg for a conference. It is generally believed he will succeed Count M. Lamsdorff as minister of foreign affairs. The latter has openly expressed his displeasure at the policy pursued by direction of the czar in connection with the Russian-Japanese situation, and his resignation has been reported on several occasions lately.

### A Barber Killed.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25.—James Sullivan, barber, was beaten into unconsciousness in the back yard of the Log Cabin saloon at Ballard and died a day later. An autopsy reveals that his skull is fractured in three places. Private Joseph Vero, a soldier at Fort Lawton, is under arrest and officers have sent to the fort to arrest Private Pat Hatfield, who are charged with the murder.

## CHICAGO STRIKE HAS ENDED

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE UNION AND COMPANY AGREE.

**Traffic Has Started Again—Strikers Get Places Back—Wage Scale Based on Outside of Town Scales—City to Go Into Electric Light Business—Fight the Big Trust.**

Chicago, Nov. 27.—The strike of the employes of the Chicago City railway was settled at a conference between the mayor, the aldermanic peace committee, President Hamilton and E. R. Bliss, counsel for the company, and the executive board of the local union of the strikers. The basis on which the settlement was reached is a complete victory for the company as far as the original demands of the men are concerned.

The only important concession by the company was an agreement to reinstate all the strikers, including the outside unions who went out in sympathy with the car men, with the exception of those who resorted to violence during the trouble.

The arbitration of the wage scale is to be according to the wages paid outside of Chicago and not on the basis of the local street railway. These are the two points that have been the stumbling block to a peaceable adjustment of the strike for the past week. The company has insisted that it pays higher wages than any similar corporation in the country. The men were fearful that the arbitration on the scale paid in other cities would decrease their wages and they fought stubbornly for their point.

### To Fight Monopoly.

Mayor Harrison has declared that the city would enter the electric lighting field at once in competition with the gas trust and the Chicago Edison and its subsidiary companies.

### DAUGHTER OF W. A. CLARK.

Named in \$500,000 Damage Case—Alienation of Affections.

New York, Nov. 24.—Charging that Mrs. Everett Mallory Culver has alienated the affections that Solon J. Vlasto, her husband, should have for her, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Vlasto of this city today began suit in the supreme court for \$500,000. The papers were served on the defendant at her residence in this city today. Mrs. Culver, a daughter of Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, is already in the public eye because of her divorce suit instituted against her husband. Mr. Vlasto is a well known Greek and proprietor of the Greek newspaper Atalantis. Mrs. Vlasto says her husband's friends, because of Mrs. Culver, brought her separation about in 1901.

### WANTS TO RETIRE.

Commissioner of Pensions Tired of His Job.

Washington, Nov. 27.—It can be announced that Eugene F. Ware, commissioner of pensions, will retire from office by about the middle of November of next year and will return immediately to the practice of law in Kansas. His contemplated action is generally understood among Kansas politicians and has been the subject of several interviews with the president, which have been kept secret. The decision to resign and return to private life is the result of his long felt dissatisfaction with the nature of the duties of his office, a feeling that has grown steadily since the early days of his administration of that bureau.

### Death of Colonel Sawyer.

Pittsburg, Nov. 26.—Colonel Nathaniel P. Sawyer, former postmaster of this city, banker, manufacturer and politician, died here, aged 74 years. Colonel Sawyer was a close friend of President Andrew Johnson. During President Johnson's visit to this city previous to his impeachment he was assailed by a mob, who threw eggs and vegetables. Colonel Sawyer, the president's host, became a national figure by his efforts to apprehend the rowdies.

### Guards for Isthmus.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 26.—Upon the ratification by Panama of the canal treaty the Ninth and Sixteenth regiments of infantry, now at Forts Madison and Slocum, in New York, and McPherson, in Georgia, and the Twenty-eighth mountain battery will be sent to the isthmus to take possession of Panama and Colon and the several islands given into the keeping of the United States.

### Port Arthur Trading Port.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 26.—Port Arthur has been opened as a trading port. Ship dues and commercial duties will be levied in accordance with the governor's orders.

### "Pa, what's a leading woman?"

"Any married woman, my son."—Detroit Free Press.