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AMERICA PREPARES FOR NICARAGUAN WAR

NAVAL FORCES BEING MOVED TOWARD SOUTH AMERICA—ZELAYA IN DESPERATION PLANS NEW CUNNING

MEXICO UNOFFENDED WILL BE NEUTRAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—Naval forces of the United States moved forward tonight on both coasts of Central America to protect American life and property at Nicaragua by arms.

With the departure of the Philadelphia and the troopship Prairie with 700 marines for the isthmus and, if so decreed, for Nicaragua, and the sailing of the Magdalena, of the cruiser Albany, and gunboats Yorktown and Corinto, the activity of the navy department is becoming manifest in both oceans.

Besides the cruisers Des Moines and Tacoma and gunboat Marietta are sent off the Costa Rica, ready for call, and the guns of the little gunboat Yorksburg are pointed toward the town of Corinto.

The navy department has decided to send a flag officer to Nicaragua to take command of the American naval forces. Admiral Kimball has been chosen. He sailed for Colon, Panama, today on the Prairie and will make his way to Corinto.

30 marines have been landed at any point in Nicaragua.

ZELAYA PLANS TO RETAIN POWER

WASHINGTON, December 2.—Driven to desperation by the unexpected attitude of the United States, Zelaya is reported to have developed a plan whereby he may resign and still retain his power. It consists of putting in as president of Nicaragua Jose Madriz, well known in diplomatic circles as Zelaya's henchman.

Zelaya, the state department declared, is cognizant of the conspiracy and is acting vigorously and promptly.

When the alleged plot for the continuation of the Zelayan power, by means of a resignation, became known it threw the Central American contingent here into a panic. One of the diplomats explained the reason for perturbation.

"Jose Madriz is a man of exceptional ability," he said, "and one who would be extremely dangerous."

They view as extremely powerful the note addressed Zelaya yesterday, through the Nicaraguan representative and it is not believed Zelaya will attempt extreme methods.

MEXICO WANTS TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

MEXICO CITY, December 2.—That Mexico does not expect to be drawn into the Nicaraguan controversy, but will remain neutral, is the statement of Senator Mariscal, minister of foreign relations, tonight.

The action of the United States in severing relations with Nicaragua is resented by Mexico, said the foreign minister, although it came unexpectedly at a time when his government was awaiting a reply to its suggestion of peace.

News of the breach created a great sensation here. Mariscal and Governor Enrique Creel of the state of Chihuahua, former ambassador to the United States, went to Chapultepec and remained long in private audience with Diaz.

The mouth of every man who went to see him, however, was sealed until tonight, when Minister Mariscal gave the statement to the Associated Press.

Francisco Castro, Nicaraguan minister, a close friend of Zelaya, said: "I believe the action unjustified. The execution of the two Americans is perfectly in accordance with the laws of the country. They were executed by command of a military jury and not by direct order of Zelaya."

"Once Zelaya has disappeared from the Central American scene, it is probable that President Cabrera of Guatemala will control the politics of that region."

PRAIRIE STUCK IN THE MUD

PHILADELPHIA, December 2.—Carrying two batteries of marines and 1000 men of war to conduct a vigorous campaign against turbulent Nicaragua, the auxiliary Prairie is aground in the soft mud of the Delaware Bay tonight, a few hours after weighing for the Caribbean. Tugs were hauled alongside and it is hoped to release the vessel early tomorrow. Every effort is confident they are bound straight for Nicaragua.

Two pieces of field artillery and a machine gun have been added to the equipment aboard the Prairie, in addition to two three-inch field pieces placed aboard yesterday.

There are also 800,000 rounds of ammunition, cookstoves, tents, spades and pickaxes for building entrenchments.

ZELAYA GREATLY SURPRISED

MEXICO CITY, December 2.—The action of Secretary Knox in releasing Senor Felipe Rodriguez, Nicaraguan charge d'affaires at Washington, greatly surprised President Zelaya, who reiterated today his belief that the Nicaraguan government was justified in the execution of the Americans, Gage and Cannon.

Zelaya will take no action until he has received further information on Rodriguez and learn definitely the intentions of the United States. American Consul Mr. Caldera, a Nicaraguan by birth but a naturalized American, is at the consulate. In the opinion of Zelaya, Caldera sympathizes with the opposition party and a close watch is being kept on him, although there has been no attempt at restraint.

WANT MINE BUREAU

President Has Recommended for New Department in Annual Message

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—Having completed the work on his message last night, Taft will begin reviewing congressional and other visitors today. His message is now in the hands of the public printer.

Several visitors during the day talked with the president about portions of the message. Among them were representatives Douglas of Ohio and Austin of

Tennessee. Both men are deeply interested in the establishment of a bureau of mines and mining, Douglas telling the president that if there had been such a bureau, with up-to-date methods, the horrible catastrophe at Cherry, Ill., would probably have been averted.

The president has made a recommendation for such a bureau.

Representative Austin stated that the United States is far behind all other countries in measures to prevent mine disasters.

WEATHER BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—Forecast for Arizona: Partly cloudy and colder in the south, with snow and much colder in the north Friday; cold wave Friday night. Saturday fair in the south and snow in the north.

LOWER FREIGHTS WILL BENEFIT ARIZONA

Globe Shippers Will Pay Decreased Rates After January 2

WERE REQUESTED BY COMMISSION

Railroad Companies Reduce Rates Voluntarily and Before Expected

The Associated Press dispatches printed in the Silver Belt yesterday morning, stating that the Southern Pacific had made a voluntary freight reduction to Arizona points, told only a part of the rate reduction story.

According to additional information received yesterday, this rate reduction affects not only the Southern Pacific main line through Arizona from Yuma to El Paso, and the territorial branch lines, but the Santa Fe line as well.

The general reduction over Southern Pacific lines will amount to about 33 per cent and that over the Santa Fe, to about 30 per cent.

Between El Paso and Bowie, a point much used by Globe shippers, the cut will average over 30 per cent.

Rates between Globe and all outside points will be reduced to a certain extent and as the result, the local shipper will be materially benefitted.

When the new schedule goes into effect on January 2, 1910, the cut in class rates between Globe and El Paso will be as follows:

Class	Current rate	New Rate
1st class	2.26	1.88
2nd class	2.25	1.88
3rd class	1.96	1.53
4th class	1.90	1.38
5th rate	1.69	1.12
Class A	1.71	1.16
Class B	1.28	.79
Class C	1.14	.73
Class D	1.09 1/2	.67
Class E	1.09 1/2	.63

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1st class	3.85	3.37
2nd class	3.59	3.02
3rd class	3.28	2.75
4th class	2.81	2.54
5th class	2.59	2.35
Class A	2.59	2.35
Class B	2.07	1.80
Class C	1.77	1.56
Class D	1.56 1/2	1.38
Class E	1.49	1.27

This reduction was made voluntarily by the railroads, at a request from the Arizona railway commission.

This request was made some time ago, as has been previously stated by the Silver Belt, but it was not expected by the members of the commission that their request would be granted in such a short space of time.

Commissioner George J. Stoneman, when seen yesterday by the Silver Belt, expressed surprise that the rate reduction has been granted by this time and at the same time expressed himself as highly pleased with the action of the railroads.

Considering the fact that the railway commission had much to do with securing the reduction of tariffs over the Gila Valley line, as well as the recent cut in rates, that body has done much good work during this, the first year of its organization.

EXPECT MOVEMENT FROM PRESIDIO

Date of Field Meet Changed on This Account

SAN FRANCISCO, December 2.—That the movement of troops stationed at the Presidio here is expected is indicated by the order for the annual post field, to be held tomorrow, which is some time in advance of the date set for the event.

In making the change, Colonel J. A. Lundeen, commandant of the post, said:

"In view of the possible removal of a large part of the troops now stationed at the Presidio in a short time, I have decided to set the annual field meet for tomorrow. It may be the last chance the men will get this year to hold field sports."

MIAMI WILL ISSUE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

Million and a Half Will Be Used for Increasing Capacity of Plant

NEW YORK, December 2.—At a special meeting of Miami Copper company stockholders held here, it was voted to issue \$1,500,000 10-year first mortgage 6 per cent convertible bonds, and also to increase the capital stock from 600,000 shares to 700,000 shares, or from \$3,000,000 to \$3,500,000, the additional \$500,000 stock to be held for conversion purposes.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds will be used to provide for increased capacity, new development and additional working capital.

Subscriptions are due in two installments, 10 per cent December 15, and 90 per cent January 1.

The execution of a mortgage was authorized and the company was given permission to allow the General Development company to underwrite the sale and purchase of the bonds for a banking commission of 1 per cent and underwriting commission of 5 per cent.

Holders of 400 shares of stock will have the privilege of subscribing for one \$1,000 bond.

The bonds may be redeemed on and after January 1, 1912, at 105, and may be convertible into stock at 17, prior to January 1, 1915.

MILLIONS LOST IN NORTHWESTERN FLOODS

Railroad Tracks Washed Out, Bridges Swept Away and District Flooded

BELLINGHAM, Wash., December 2.—For three days northwest Washington has been cut off by floods from quick communication with the outside world and boat service alone is furnished as a connecting link. No trains are moving except between this city and Burlington, twenty miles south and service cannot be renewed inside of a week. Telegraph wires were restored today.

Twenty miles of railroad track in Skagit and Whatcom counties have been destroyed.

The loss to railroads will exceed \$1,000,000. Whatcom county will lose \$100,000 in bridges alone. Ferndale's losses will aggregate \$90,000. Two mills, a school house and eleven residences were destroyed.

Five miles of Northern Pacific track in this county has disappeared, even the grade being obliterated. The steel draw-bridge of the Great Northern at Fernside must be replaced.

South of Mount Vernon twenty miles of track is still under water and the damage there is unknown.

RUEF GETS RELEASE FROM BAIL

Action Taken on Report of Physicians as to Physical Condition

SAN FRANCISCO, December 2.—Judge Cabanis ordered today the release of Abraham Ruef from custody on \$300,000 bail.

The action followed the report of three physicians appointed by the court to examine the physical condition of the former political leader, who has been confined in the county jail since November 13, last year, previous bail having been declared forfeited on the day Prosecutor Heney was shot in court.

Ruef is under sentence of four-year terms in the state prison on conviction of having bribed supervisors to vote for a trolley franchise for the United Railroads. It is understood that a bail bond will be presented tomorrow.

BIG MONEY GOES FOR HEAVIES FIGHT

Rickard and Gleason Awarded Champion Battle for Over \$100,000

ALSO TWO-THIRDS OF PICTURE MONEY

Stormy Scenes Attend Meeting of Sporting Men at Hoboken

NEW YORK, December 2.—The fight for the heavyweight championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson will be held in California, near San Francisco on July 4, 1910, and will be staged by "Tex" Rickard of Nevada and John J. Gleason of San Francisco.

Their bid of \$101,000 and two-thirds of the moving picture privileges to the contestants, was formally accepted in a stormy meeting at Hoboken, N. J., this afternoon.

The final articles will be drawn up and signed there tomorrow.

It is believed the fight will represent more cash than any other fight in the history of the ring.

Thomas J. McCarry of Los Angeles, whose bid was considered the highest by many, made a game race for his Pacific athletic club.

James Coffroth, by virtue of his control of the basic patents on moving pictures, decreed against McCarry and his ally, Eddie Graney of San Francisco, and the fight was given to Gleason and Rickard, who, it is said by sporting men, have an understanding with Coffroth, a surmise strengthened by the fact that Gleason and Coffroth have shared in one bid in the past.

Value of Moving Pictures

McCarry and Graney estimate that the net value of the moving pictures will be at least \$200,000 and may be worth \$400,000. Rickard and Gleason declined to estimate.

After Lou Houseman of Chicago, as master of ceremonies, called the meeting to order in a hotel at Hoboken, Sam Berger, Jeffries' manager, announced that his principal had decided for Rickard and Gleason. George Little, representing Johnson, made a similar announcement as the best, and then Eddie Graney, Graney's bid "included pictures to \$750,000 to the fighters."

"Well, I've been in this fight business longer than you have," spoke up Gleason, and was about to continue, when McCarry jumped to his feet and hurled his wallet across the long table, crying: "There's at least \$250 that you haven't."

"But I have had bigger fights," persisted Gleason.

"I'll bet my pile you haven't," shouted McCarry.

Lou Houseman quieted the argument, but there was more wrangling before Berger announced decisively that Jeffries would not change his verdict.

Stakeholder Murphy declared the fight awarded to Rickard and Gleason.

At Gleason's suggestion the final signing of articles was postponed until tomorrow at 11 o'clock, when a lawyer will clinch the last technicalities.

FRANCIS JOSEPH HAS ANNIVERSARY

Celebration at Vienna of Sixty-first Year on Throne

VIENNA, December 2.—The sixty-first anniversary of Emperor Francis Joseph's accession to the throne was observed in Vienna today in the customary manner. A great holiday was kept, and in all of the churches of the city special services of thanksgiving were held. Greeting from many parts of the world poured in upon the aged Emperor at Schoenbrunn, the usual salutes were fired and there were brilliant displays of hunting at the naval and military centers.

NEW LEVEL WILL INCREASE VALUE

President Amster Talks of Arizona Commercial

BOSTON, December 2.—President N. L. Amster of the Arizona Commercial Copper company says that the opening of the 700-foot level should add \$20 per share to the value of the Arizona Commercial property. The management now has the water under control at the 700-foot level and has started the work of opening up this level. It is estimated that within 70 or 90 days the smelter will be operating on 700-foot level ores.

POLICE CONSIDER STRIKE MENACE TO PUBLIC

Extra Precautions Being Taken in St. Paul and on Leave Recalled to Duty—Duluth Men Voted to Hold Out No Longer

ST. PAUL, December 2.—The chief of police virtually admitted the strike situation was serious when he ordered all the day force to stay on duty until 10:30 every night until danger of a clash between strikers and strike breakers is ended.

He also issued orders recalling patrolmen and officers absent on leave.

According to railroad officials the beginning of the end of the switchmen's strike is in sight. Prominent officials said the railroads were handling 30 per cent of all business offered.

"We are employing new men as fast as they come and moving a large amount of package freight. In a week the public will not know there is a strike."

Three hundred arrived today from Chicago and were distributed to St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth.

Trainmen Neutral

Five switch engines are working in the union yards.

As against the optimistic statements of the railroad managers, the strike leaders say they are in a stronger position than ever. They refer to the fact that the Brotherhood of Trainmen and Order of Conductors have adopted resolutions to "stand neutral and refuse to do other than work done prior to the pending trouble."

This means that trainmen and conductors will refuse to do any switching.

The two big shops of the Great Northern, employing 1,000 men, failed to open today.

All except one of the twenty-three big flour mills in Minneapolis are idle.

Imported strikebreakers wearing special police badges were reported for duty at Union station today by the strike pickets.

Labor Commissioner McEwen said if the men wearing police badges are not residents of Minnesota, they are those responsible for their presence in the state are violating state law. McEwen added that if he finds that non-residents are wearing special police badges, he will order their arrest, as well as the arrest of those who brought them here.

MINES CLOSE DOWN

HELENA, Mont., December 2.—Lack of coal due to the switchmen's strike, forced the Parrot mine of the Amalgamated Copper company, at Butte, to close tonight. The moonlight, another Amalgamated, will shut down tomorrow. The mines employ four hundred men.

BETTER AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, December 2.—Improved conditions marked the second day of the switchmen's strike in Washington. Some freight was moved and the railroads are confident they will soon restore normal conditions.

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It was decided that the switchmen's strike is unconstitutional and all were advised to hold out no longer. The Great Northern, Chicago & St. Paul and Minneapolis & Omaha announced tonight that they were ready to receive freight.

UNION IS BLAMED

CHICAGO, December 2.—The joint

COMMONS DECLARE AGAINST LORDS

By Big Vote Array Themselves for Constitutional Controversy

LONDON, December 2.—By a majority of 215, the house of commons recorded its claim today to exclusive control of the nation's purse—a claim never before challenged in modern times.

The vote was taken on a resolution offered by Premier Asquith, which declared "the action of the house of lords in refusing to pass financial provisions for the expenses of the year was a breach of constitution and a usurpation of the rights of the house of commons."

The resolution passed by a vote of 349 to 134.

By this vote opposing the forces of the lords, the commons are placed in battle array for the greatest constitutional struggle of the country in centuries.

CLINTON BURRIS FREED BY JURY

ANGELES, December 2.—Clinton Burris, the rancher who killed Irving Hobart, in a dispute over a boundary in August, was acquitted of the charge tonight, after a trial of one day. Self-defense was the plea.

TRAINMEN ASK TEN PER CENT RAISE OF PAY

NEW YORK, December 2.—Representatives of the trainmen on all eastern roads, comprising 300,000 employees, issued a statement tonight, declaring that they soon will present a demand for a 10 per cent increase.

The statement says: "Everything will be done to avoid a strike. Though the switchmen's union believes in radical measures, the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen does not."

Agreements with railroads stipulate that they may be terminated on thirty days' notice. No such notice has been given.

committee of railroad managers issued a statement tonight, declaring the paralysis of the thirteen railroads of the north, and consequent hardships felt by the thousands thrown out of employment by the switchmen's strike, is due to a breach of faith on the part of the union. They assert the men had agreed to arbitrate under the Erdman act, and then, while Interstate Commissioner Knapp and Labor Commissioner Neill were on their way to act as mediators, issued a strike order.

Every effort is being made, it is continued, to restore normal conditions, and stop the loss of millions by workmen rendered idle.

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PIERCE WOULD HIDE BEHIND SKIRTS OF WOMAN

AUSTIN, Texas, December 2.—The question of a woman and her legal status occupied almost the entire time of the court here today in the trial of H. Clay Pierce, for alleged false swearing.

The question is whether a woman acting as a notary has the right to administer an oath. A young woman clerk in the service of the state administration, administered the oath to Pierce when he swore that his company—the Waters-Pierce Oil company, was not, in any way, connected with the Standard Oil company.

The contention of the defense was that the notary, being a woman, had no legal status under the law of Texas, and, consequently, Pierce committed no crime in anything he said.

TARIFF KEYNOTE OF NORTHERN CAMPAIGN

MILWAUKEE, December 2.—Did or did not congress regard the rights of the consumer when it framed the latest tariff bill?

That question Senator Clapp of Minnesota asked when he spoke tonight as the premier orator of the La Follette campaign for return to the United States senate. He answered in the negative.