

MOST MODERN OF DEFENSES IN USE AT TORREON

Yet General Villa Is Confident City Will Be His Soon With Little Fighting

INVESTMENT ABOUT TO START

Progress of Rebel Commander Has Met With Feeble Opposition So Far

Beinejillo, Durango, (Constitutionalist field base) —March 23.—Marked by sharp brushes with the enemy, General Villa's spectacular march against Torreón, which began last Friday, was nearing the end today. Only a few haciendas and suburban towns remained behind his army of 12,000 and the actual siege of Torreón. Villa is confident that only a few more hours and little fighting will pass before his army is investing Torreón proper.

GOING DOWN PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE



FORMER COACHMAN SECRETLY MARRIES DAUGHTER OF MICHIGAN MILLIONAIRE

Max Frederick Kleist's Relatives at Marquette Admit His Marriage to Miss Juliet Breitung in East Last Fall.

A Marquette dispatch to the Detroit Free Press says: Relatives of the bridegroom admitted the truth of the reported secret marriage of Miss Juliet Breitung and Max Frederick Kleist in New York city. It is understood the wedding took place last November.

REBEL GARRISON WIPED OUT

Del Rio, Texas, March 23.—Twenty-seven members of the Constitutionalist garrison at Las Yucas, Mexico, which was reported annihilated yesterday by the federals, arrived here and surrendered to the American border forces.

NOW BELIEVE PROFESSOR MERICALLI WAS MURDERED.

Naples, March 23.—The police believe that Professor Mericalli, director of the Vesuvius observatory, found burned to death recently, was murdered. Fourteen hundred dollars he had in his pocket. It is believed the thieves took the money, strangled the professor, saturated the body with petroleum, and set fire to it to conceal the crime.

U. S. SUPERDRAUGHT OKLAHOMA IS LAUNCHED.

Philadelphia, March 23.—The super-draught Oklahoma, one of the largest and most powerful of American battleships, was launched today in the New York shipbuilding yards at Camden, N. J., in the presence of a large number of invited guests, including officers of the Argentine and Chinese navies.

PATHETIC SCENE IN WHITE HOUSE TODAY

Dying Boy of Twelve Has Wish to See President Gratified

Washington, March 23.—Pale, but smiling, a lad of twelve lay on a stretcher in the blue room of the white house today, and beside him sat the president of the United States. The scene was the culmination of weeks of yearning, and the kind response of the president to the little boy's plea, made through the lad's mother, who had written to Mrs. Wilson, telling how the boy had been praying to see the president.

CHICAGO TO BE HOST TO DENTISTS OF THE WORLD

Chicago, Ill., March 23.—Dentists from all parts of the world are gathering in Chicago to take part in the celebration this week of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Illinois State Dental society. With several thousand visitors already in the city and many other prominent leaders of the dental profession expected to arrive by tomorrow, the gathering gives promise of being one of the largest and most representative of its kind ever held.

MICHIGAN LOCAL OPTION LAW IS CONSTITUTIONAL

Washington, March 23.—The Michigan local option law of 1909 was upheld today as constitutional by the supreme court.

SMOKED 25 TO 30 CIGARS DAILY; DIES OF CANCER OF TONGUE.

New York, March 23.—Thomas J. Maguire, a veteran theatrical manager, who lived for ten years without a tongue, which was removed because of cancer, died yesterday of that disease. He smoked twenty-five to thirty cigars almost every day for twenty years. Cancer of the tongue developed.

PEACE REIGNS IN ULSTER; TROOPS THERE ONLY TO PROTECT PROPERTY, BUT ORANGE FORCES ARE PREPARED FOR EVENTUALITIES

IRISH CRISIS IN A NUTSHELL

Irish parliamentary party in House of Commons, after struggling for years, induced British government to introduce Irish home rule bill. With the slogan "Ulster will fight," Orangemen of Ulster, raising home rule almost a certainty, have organized a volunteer army estimated at from 100,000 to 200,000 men, under the leadership of Sir Edward Carson, Bonar Law and others, to resist by force of arms a Dublin parliament.

"MOTHER" JONES AGAIN PRISONER IN STRIKE ZONE

Taken by Military From Train on the Way to Trinidad

Denver, March 23.—Dressed in black clothes a bit rusty, alone and almost unrecognized, "Mother" Jones, walked through the gates of the Union depot last night and boarded a train for Trinidad, in spite of the warnings of the highest state officials. Is Arrested by Troops.

REP. M'DONALD ACCUSES CRUSE AND OPERATORS

Rants Before Committee About "Autocratic Control"

Washington, March 23.—Life and labor conditions in the Butte, Montana, field are much superior to life and labor conditions in the Michigan copper field, declared John Mitchell before the House committee investigating the Calumet strike, He said the Butte miners were paid on the basis of the selling price of copper, a minimum of \$3.20 for an eight-hour day, were not forced to trade with company stores and live in company houses.

FAVORS GRANTED MADAME CAILLAUX AROUSE PROTESTS

Paris, March 23.—Mutiny is threatened among the eight hundred women incarcerated in the Saint Lazare prison, all of whom object to the granting of so many privileges to Madame Caillaux. The punishment cells are filled with refractory women, who continue to shriek protests against "discrimination." Their attorneys demand that the women's cells be heated and that better food be supplied their clients.

NAME GLACIER PARK LAKE.

Washington, D. C., March 23.—Lake Ellen Wilson now has the name of a beautiful body of water in Glacier National park. Secretary Lane has so named it in honor of the president's wife. Secretary Lane found the lake, said to be the most beautiful of its size in the west, on his trip last summer. It is a mile long and half a mile wide.

JAP CABINET MAY RESIGN.

Tokio, March 23.—The Japanese parliament was prolonged today by the emperor, owing to the inability of the House of Peers and House of Representatives to agree on appropriations for the navy. In political circles it is generally believed the cabinet will resign.

FIRES AT JUDGES.

Paris, March 23.—A woman, apparently demented, whose identity has not been established, fired three shots at the judges sitting in the sixth chamber of the palace of justice today.

GREAT HARVEST PREDICTED.

San Francisco, March 23.—Experts predict that the Pacific coast, from British Columbia to the Mexican border will produce the greatest harvest in the summer of 1914 ever seen in the extreme west.

CRISIS IN ARMY IS CLEARED UP

Premier Asquith Says It Was Misunderstanding Which Caused Officers to Resign

NO EXCITEMENT ON SUNDAY

Situation Is More Favorable and in Meantime Ulster Awaits the Next Move

London, March 23.—"Misunderstanding" was the keynote of Premier Asquith's explanation today of the crisis brought about by the resignations of army officers when their regiments were ordered to prepare to proceed to Ulster, speaking in the House of Commons. Asquith made it clear, however, that officers and men of the British army refusing to obey orders in connection with the opposition of Ulster to the introduction of home rule, were liable to dismissal.

Quiet in Ulster Capital.

Belfast, March 23.—The capital of Ulster, in which are the headquarters of the provisional government, today was perhaps the least excited city anywhere in the United Kingdom. No more troops arrived, and none are expected. The Unionists, however, are determined to be prepared for all eventualities.

No Trouble on Sunday.

London, March 23.—The dread Sunday passed without the slightest disturbance of order in Belfast or in Ulster, but the gravity of the crisis is fully indicated by the fact that the king cancelled his intended week-end visit to the East and the Countess of Derby at Liverpool.

SIR EDWARD CARSON, BRILLIANT ORATOR, HAS LONG LED ULSTERITES.

Sir Edward Henry Carson has long been an important figure in British politics. Even before the introduction of the present home rule bill Sir Edward was one of the recognized leaders of the Unionists. He was solicitor general for Ireland in 1892, and during the Halford administration he was solicitor general of the kingdom. He is a brilliant lawyer and a forceful speaker. Since the beginning of the present home rule agitation Sir Edward has been recognized leader of the Ulster irrecalcitrates. In parliament he has repeatedly asserted that Ulster will not submit to any Dublin government, and he has been the leading spirit in the organization of the Ulster army of defense.

THE WEATHER.

Generally fair today. Not so cold night and Tuesday.

