

WILSON URGES DIRECT PRIMARIES AS MEANS OF NOMINATING PRESIDENTS

CONGRESS HEARS MESSAGE READ IN JOINT SESSION

Mexico Only Cloud on Foreign Horizon and Huerta Must Go—Currency Reform Urged—Rural Credits Advocated.

Many Important Subjects Treated by President—Alaskan Railroads Advocated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—For the fourth time since his inauguration, President Wilson today personally addressed a joint session of the house of representatives and senate of the United States.

The lawmakers gathered for the occasion in the representatives' chamber, whither the senators marched, two by two, with Vice President Marshall and Sergeant-at-Arms Higgins in the lead.

President Wilson arrived at the capitol by automobile, directly from the white house. Vice President Marshall and Speaker Clark had been named as a committee of two to receive him. Meeting him at the entrance to the chamber, they escorted him to his place beside the speaker's desk, where, standing easily before the gathering, much like a professor addressing his class, he read his message in the clear, cultured accents with which, since he assumed office, the lawmakers have grown so well acquainted.

Event a Function

Permission to the galleries of the house was by card. Representatives received one card each for the benefit of their friends and senators two each. Most of them were given to the lawmakers' wives, daughters or sisters. Legislators representing states in which equal rights prevail in particular were deluged with applications for tickets from women voters.

The result was that women far outnumbered men among the spectators.

The occasion was made distinctly a fashionable one, magnificent gowns and gorgeous millinery creating a splendid show in the galleries.

One the floor of the house the front seats were reserved for the senators, who were received by the representatives, standing, as the visiting upper house members marched in. All kept their feet until the tap of the speaker's gavel was heard.

Reads His Message

He remained only long enough to finish the message, bowed courteously to the legislators, left the chamber, escorted, as he had entered, by Marshall and Clark, and motored back to the executive mansion. He said in part:

The country, I am thankful to say, is at peace, with all the world. More and more readily do the nations mani-

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FRENCH MINISTRY DEFEATED, RESIGNS

PARIS, Dec. 2.—The administration's income tax plan was defeated in the chamber of deputies this afternoon by a vote of 290 to 265. The cabinet, as is customary when its policies are voted down by the lawmakers, immediately resigned.

RESERVATION EXPENDITURES RECOMMENDED BY LANE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The secretary of the interior today reported to congress the following expenditures for the last fiscal year in the matter of timber and Indian reservations:

Klamath, \$6,707; Roseburg, \$296; Siletz, \$1,230; Umatilla, \$1,880.47; Warm Springs, \$7,331.76.

HAILED AS THE NEW MAN OF MEXICO.



GENERAL PANCHO VILLA.

STRIKE GUN PLAY KILLS 1, WOUNDS 4 AT INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 2.—In support of the teamsters' walkout it was announced this afternoon that a general strike by every union working man and woman in Indianapolis will be asked at a meeting of the city's central labor body tonight.

Gun fighting broke out here today in connection with the teamsters' strike.

One man was killed and four were injured by bullets. The shots were fired by armed strikebreakers deputized as special policemen. Of the victims Claude Williams, a negro, who was slain, had nothing to do with the strike but happened to be looking on when the fusillade began.

The four wounded men were striking teamsters. Alex Zedam and J. H. Mason, hit respectively in the jaw and neck, were the most seriously hurt. Both were white.

The strikebreakers, six in number, were unloading a nonunion ice wagon just before the encounter. A crowd gathered about them and undoubtedly thinking they were about to be attacked, all six opened fire.

TRAIL LUMBER COMPANY IN BANKRUPTCY COURT

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 2.—Schedules of the indebtedness and assets of the Trail Lumber company of Medford, which went into involuntary bankruptcy November 7, was filed here today in federal court. Liabilities are given at \$14,177 and assets \$260,848.

M'KINSTRY ELECTED GRANTS PASS MAYOR

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 2.—E. T. McKinstry was elected mayor of Grants Pass at yesterday's election by a majority of three votes over A. A. Porter. Only 1,073 of a possible 2,000 votes were cast in the city, there being no issue in the campaign.

FEDERALS OPEN CAPITAL GATE BY EVACUATION

Mexico City Shows Signs of Panic When News of Desertion of Chihuahua by Federals Without Waiting for Rebel Attack, is Received.

Huerta's Troops Unpaid and in State of Semi-Revolt—Villa Hastens South.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—There was almost a panic in Mexico City today following receipts of news that the federal garrison had evacuated Chihuahua City without waiting to fight the rebels.

General Villa was reported concentrating the rebels to move from Chihuahua City on to the capital.

Many thought Mexico City would fall as easily as the Northern Mexican metropolises.

Unconfirmed reports were current that the federals had evacuated Mazatlan and Guaymas too.

Admiral Craddock, British, paid a short visit to President Huerta.

The wife of Manuel Madero, a relative of the late president, to be tried in Mexico City, on a sedition charge, appealed to Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy to save her husband.

A military court was expected to try Antonio Caballero at Hermosillo, charged with plotting a revolt against the rebels.

General Vilal tried to put Max Weber, German consul at Juarez, on record by demanding that he surrender General Castro, a federal fugitive supposed to be sheltered at the consulate but Weber sidestepped, saying Castro was not there.

INJUNCTION STOPS REDUCED FARES

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 2.—A temporary order restraining the city of Portland from attempting to enforce the ordinance enacted by the city commission November 5 requesting street car companies to sell tickets calling for six car rides for twenty-five cents, was issued by United States District Judge Bean today on application of the Portland Railway, Light and Power company.

Mayor Albee and other city officials were cited to appear in court December 8 to show cause why a permanent injunction should not be issued.

The ordinance which was to have gone into effect December 5, is attacked on the ground that it violates two provisions of the federal constitution.

WORTHLESS LAND SOLD FOR ORCHARDS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 2.—J. T. Williamson of La Grande, a veteran in the abstracting and timber buying business in that section, was the government's strongest witness in the testimony that has been so far introduced regarding the Union county holdings of the Oregon Inland Development company, the president and general manager of which, Frank Richet and J. T. Conway, are on trial in federal court charged with fraudulent use of the mails. Williamson testified in regard to several sections of the areas purchased by C. R. Hubbard for the Oregon Inland Development, all of which Williamson characterized as too high, too frosty or too rocky for fruit land.

MRS. HETTY GREEN A T 78 YEARS OF AGE.



Mrs. Hetty Green has just passed another birthday, and this is a picture of her as she was snapped on the way to the Park National bank in New York, where she has an office, the day she became 78. Mrs.

Green goes to her office nearly every day to look after the investment of her \$50,000,000, most of which she has made by judicious lending of money to corporations and brokers in New York. She has not yet thought of retiring.

SCHOONER ON REEF POUNDS TO PIECES CREW RESCUED

ABERDEEN, Wn., Dec. 2.—After all hope of saving the vessel had been abandoned the Westport life saving crew early today removed Captain Anderson and crew from the four-masted schooner Balboa, which was caught in the heavy surf outside the north jetty and driven ashore early yesterday morning. The vessel was out of its course. The Balboa will probably be a total loss.

The schooner was sighted late Sunday evening beating south toward the harbor entrance and finally struck less than 100 feet from the jetty. The Balboa had just arrived off the harbor from Callao.

For many hours doubt existed as to whether the stranded vessel was the Balboa or the Espada, a sister ship, which arrived off shore at the same time.

SEXTUPLE MURDERER BESIEGED IN MINE

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 2.—Though dense smoke and sulphur, wet gunpowder, cayenne pepper and formaldehyde fumes had been pouring into the Utah-Apex mine for more than fourteen hours, Ralph Lopez, Mexican sextuple murderer, was alive inside the workings as late as any rate as 2 a. m. today, as could be told by his hammerings on an air pipe which enters the mine, in response to the tappings on the pipe by his besiegers on the outside.

To later rappings he made no reply. Whether or not this indicated that he had succumbed, the besiegers were uncertain. They took no risks but continued to feed their fire at the only unsealed entrance to the mine.

MAN HUNT FOR LONE BANDIT WHO HELD UP ESPEE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—Almost the entire force of the sheriff's office here today is engaged in a man hunt. The quarry is a youthful bandit who last night robbed the passengers of the Southern Pacific Sunset express of \$750 in money and jewelry and shot and killed Horace Montague, a traveling passenger agent.

The man boarded the train at Pomona. He did his work quickly and twenty minutes later dropped off at El Monte.

Vice President Calvin of the Southern Pacific in San Francisco authorized an offer of \$5,000 reward for the bandit's capture.

Sheriff Hammel personally is leading a posse this afternoon in the foothills near Monrovia. He believes the bandit is the man who robbed several mail trains near San Francisco recently.

Near Amarillo another posse is searching for a suspect who fled from A. O. St. George, a rancher, and disappeared in the direction of El Monte.

SLIGHT INCREASE IN PRICE OF STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Slight increases in most of the favorite stocks marked the opening of the stock market today. After the first few minutes of trading prices rose generally above yesterday's close. Canadian Pacific gained a full point. Such leaders as Union Pacific, Steel and Reading also gained a point.

Later concentrated buying of coal shares caused the bears to run to cover. Bonds were strong. The market closed active.

INITIATIVE BILL CUTS OFF PAY OF COUNCILMEN

Petition in Circulation Amending Section 18 of City Charter to Remove Salaries from Mayor and Members of Medford's Council.

Participation in City Contracts Made Malfeasance in Office and Punished by Removal.

Citizens of Medford, exasperated at the extravagance obtaining in municipal affairs, have initiated a charter amendment to be submitted at the city election in January, and are circulating petitions for signatures, to an act to amend section 18, taking the salaries off mayor and council. The act not only prohibits the drawing of salaries, but follows the present charter and prohibits councilmen from selling supplies to the city—which is ruthlessly violated at the present time—and makes violation malfeasance punishable by removal from office.

The act reads as follows: The people of the city of Medford do ordain, that section 18 of the charter of the city of Medford, Oregon, be, and the same hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

Section 18. Neither the mayor, nor any councilman of the city of Medford, Oregon, nor the president of the council, shall receive any salary or compensation for any services performed by them, or any of them, nor shall such mayor, councilman, or president of the council, be a party to, or interested directly or indirectly in any contract to which said city is a party, or in which it has an interest, or over which it has supervision or control.

If any such mayor, councilman or president of the council, shall draw any salary or receive any compensation for his services as such, or be directly or indirectly interested in, or a party to, any such contract, they shall be guilty of malfeasance in office, and shall forfeit such office. Provided, that when the mayor or any councilman is required to perform special or extraordinary services, not strictly within his duties, as such officer, he shall be reimbursed for any money actually expended by him in such service, the claim therefor to be audited and passed upon as other claims against said city.

CHRIS EVANS ASKS PARDON OF HIRAM

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 2.—Chris Evans, who in the nineties defied the sheriffs of Tulare and Fresno counties for many months and had a thrilling career in eluding and battling with them, was again at the governor's office today, petitioning for a pardon. He had come down from Portland, Oregon, where he was permitted to go to be with his family when paroled from Folsom prison about a year ago and in making earnest plea that he be pardoned in order that he may accept a position as city watchman.

"I've been working in a lumberyard, but I'm getting too old for such heavy labor," said Evans as he held up an arm trembling with palsy and the stump of another which was shot away in his final battle with pursuers. "I don't want to be dependent on my children; I don't want to be dependent on anyone.

"I want to take care of my wife and our crippled child and during the few years that remain for me I want to be a free man. "I didn't rob the train as I was accused of doing. The Hontag brothers committed that crime."