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CALL FOR MEETING OF THE TERRITORIAL REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the members of the Republican Territorial Central Committee of the Territory of New Mexico, is hereby called, to be held at the Commercial club at Albuquerque at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1908, for the purpose of designating the time and place for the holding of a territorial convention, which convention will be held for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent the territory of New Mexico at the next national republican convention, which has been called to meet at Chicago during the month of June next for the purpose of naming a candidate for president and for vice president of the United States; and said meeting of the territorial central committee is called for the purpose, also, of transacting such other business as may be properly brought up at said meeting. The apportionment and method of selecting delegates from each of the various counties will be arranged and provided at said meeting.

A full attendance and every member of the committee is requested to be present. Proxies will be recognized when held by persons residing in the same county wherein the member giving such proxy resides.

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Lisbon's Tragedy

The entire civilized world was shocked when the news was made public that King Carlos and Crown Prince Luis, had been assassinated while driving through the streets of the capital of Portugal.

No matter what sort of a monarch Carlos was—and it appears to be the general opinion that he wasn't much—such a tragedy as was enacted in the Portuguese city, is a blot upon civilization.

The king was shot down from behind, without a word of warning. The crown prince had no chance to defend himself. The assassins even tried to kill the boy prince, Manuel.

But where the public finds that subtle touch of nature that makes the whole world kin, is the love displayed by the Queen Amelia, when she risked her life in an effort to shield her son with her own body.

The fearless sacrifice she made was such as only a mother has the strength and the love to make.

Right there is where Queen Amelia made a hit with every American and where she saved the whole affair from being an aristocratic assassination of about as much consequence to the American public as the assassination of Caesar.

The queen made the affair a real tragedy which every American could feel most keenly. The average American can not very well place himself in the position of an overbearing aristocrat about to be shot down by his own subjects, but when you tell him of a mother's love, so great that it forgot even life itself, in an effort to save a child, you hit Mr. American, in a spot where he understands and he doesn't care a cuss whether or not the mother was a queen or a washwoman.

The queen was only a mother, not a queen, as she covered her son with her own body and tried to beat back the bullets of the regicides' rifles with a bouquet of flowers. Even that bouquet of blossoms striking the muzzle of a smoking rifle, was sweetly pathetic. The queen was a real mother again, as she sat all through the night with her hands clasped about the form of the crown prince's lifeless body.

Those are the things which here in America give the assassination its real touch of pathos and which created sentiment against the regicides.

The American public has the keenest appreciation of a real woman or a real mother of any public on earth and it doesn't matter whether the American public here in the center of such a tragedy as occurred in Lisbon or whether she appears as only a character in a cheap melodrama—she wins the American applause and the American tears.

The real cause of the killing of the heads of the royal family, has not been made public. It may have been the result of an anarchistic plot, or it may have been a premature plan to open a rebellion against the king.

As to that part of it, the American public is not greatly concerned. Naturally there is considerable interest in knowing all the harrowing details for the American public loves its news. At the same time the future of Portugal is not of prime importance to this country and so far as King Carlos is concerned, the American public hasn't had the pleasure of a very extensive acquaintance. That was probably our good fortune, but as the king is now dead, long live the king.

No good American approves of assassination for any cause whatsoever, but people reared under the form of government such as King Carlos maintained can not be expected to be so enlightened. The king evidently directly or indirectly, paved the way for his own end.

The best way to avoid being assassinated nowadays is not to be a king, and so long as a person don't have an old fashioned crown stuck around the house somewhere and so long as he isn't trying to govern a lot of people who don't want to be governed, he is likely to enjoy peace and republican prosperity.

The American public, however, if it could, would send its heart felt sympathies to Queen Amelia. She did more in those few terrible minutes to win her people than King Carlos ever did, no matter if he had been the best king on earth which he was not.

It is to be hoped that the little King Manuel will learn a lesson by his rough experience and that his days and those of his people in the little country sandwiched onto Spain, may be full of peace and happiness.

When the sun shines again in Lisbon, it is to be hoped it will not strike its bright rays on leveled gun barrels.

Willard Record: When the Albuquerque boosters came along on their trip over the cut-off they will not find a better town than Willard. They won't find a town with as good railroad facilities, nor with such an abundant supply of pure water. We might add that they will not find another town in which her citizens so thoroughly believe and in which they are investing their all with the belief that it will yield an abundant income. Not another town on the line can show a more progressive set of business men. Willard people believe in Willard and you can't make them believe any other way.

It may have been a case of pure and unadulterated love—that Vanderbilt-Szezeski wedding—but the deposit of five millions of good American dollars by the Vanderbilts to the credit of the count in the Hungarian bank at Budapest, doesn't just exactly suit our romantic ideas of the real genuine devotion. Another thing which is even more surprising—we didn't know a title cost so blamed much.

Thaw went to an asylum for the killing of Stanford White. Had Thaw been a cowpuncher or a sheepherder or a day laborer, he would undoubtedly have gone to the gallows. All of which illustrates very nicely, the difference between being able to pay your witnesses' expenses and not being able to even employ an attorney.

Arizona Republican: There was a great deal of ingenuity displayed last night in Phoenix in fitting rusty keys into rusty locks of saloon doors which had never been closed before.

We suppose that those \$1,500 eighteen foot sofas in the Pennsylvania capital were intended for the reumbent form of Father Penn after they got through pulling his leg.

When the emperor of Russia heard that King Carlos had been assassinated, it made him sad and thoughtful. The emperor has troubles of his own, too.

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NEW CABINET TAKES CHARGE OF PORTUGAL'S STRICKEN GOVERNMENT

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trying, but even in the face of this the men fired again and again.

As he saw his father and brother fall, Prince Manuel whipped out a revolver and discharged it at the men, but was himself struck on the right arm by a bullet from one of the right footmen in the car.

A wounded, and it was also stated that a bullet did not do her harm. Only mounted police accompanied the carriage, as the king had refused military escort.

A Attack From Behind. The attack came from the rear, for it was found afterward that the king had been shot in the back of the neck.

It was so entirely unexpected that the murderers had emptied their cartridges and revolvers almost before the police knew what was going on, and had turned to flee into the crowds.

They, now panic-stricken, had dropped back before their weapons. Then the guard charged upon them, pursuing them down the street and fiddling three of them with bullets.

Hundreds of the people joined in the pursuit, and the other band of assassins were made prisoners.

The royal carriage had by this time been driven into the quadrangle, and the gates of the arsenal were shut.

The grief of the queen and Prince Manuel was heart-breaking. Within a few moments the queen mother, the dowager queen, Maria Pia, the duke of Oporto, the king's brother, and the ministers of state assembled, all weeping bitterly.

Messages of condolence have been received from rulers throughout the world. The king of England was among the first to send a message and this was followed shortly by one from the German kaiser. Pope Leo also sent a message and has ordered a special mass in the Sistine chapel for the repose of the souls of the two murdered men.

The Spanish government has ordered the cruiser Princess de Asturias to proceed to Lisbon and the British fleet of cruisers at Gibraltar has also been ordered here.

That which everyone has been expecting for months, which the government vainly tried to prevent by repressive measures, has come to pass.

Defied the Graters. Premier Franco had defied the graters and corruptionists. His reform program had been frustrated by a parliament that was at least partly venal.

Then he attempted to dispense with the chambers and carry out his reform measures through a dictatorship.

This forced a combination of republicans and unscrupulous politicians. There was rioting against the government. Its response was the series of repressive measures that apparently hastened the tragedy.

The Last Straw. A decree was enacted giving the cabinet unlimited power to repress revolutionary agitation in Portugal.

This decree is framed on the lines of the bill recently introduced in the Spanish cortes, but it is more sweeping and arbitrary.

It empowers the cabinet to expel from the kingdom or to exile to the colonies members of all associations that are conducting a campaign against public security. Parliamentary immunity is suspended. All persons sentenced for political agitation are deprived of civil rights, titles, decorations, etc. The decree is retroactive to January 21.

The decree provides that suspects shall be tried within two days of their arrest. No appeal from the first sentence passed will be entertained.

Caused Many to Flee. This caused many republicans and even monarchists to flee the country to avoid the possibility of arrest. King Carlos had supported Premier Franco resolutely and many persons believed that the king and his premier would stand or fall together.

The masses of the people in Portugal are ordinarily indifferent to political turmoil, but the growing severity of the measures adopted by the premier, the many arrests, the searching of houses and the brutality of the police were beginning to arouse popular excitement not only in Lisbon but in the provinces.

Franco Was Reluctant. Premier Franco, however, remained inflexible. He was certain that he could control the elections which take place next March if in the meantime political leaders could be prevented from fomenting disorders, and he was determined either to banish or exile all suspects regardless of rank or position.

The freedom of the press, public meetings and street manifestations already had been suppressed and the street patrols maintained a show of force day and night.

The Corvina, in its last issue, used these words: "We are living in a reign of terror such as often precedes the downfall of a strong government."

Most significant was this preamble to the decree which declared that these measures were necessary in order that the country might not be plunged in blood. Within two hours after the promulgation of the drastic decree the town was deluged in blood.

Not for the lack of these autocratic measures, it appears, but because of them and in spite of them.

It is now seen that for the last

month the stage has been setting for this tragedy. For fully that time Lisbon, reflecting conditions throughout the kingdom, has been in constant turmoil.

Police Were Brutal. Premier Franco was allowed a free hand. Absolutely inflexible, within the last week he announced a determination either to banish or exile all suspects regardless of rank or position.

It was not the rabble alone that felt the repressive measures. Here were conditions that were intolerable to people of the highest class as well as to those of the gutter.

With power to send any citizen of high or low degree into exile or banishment on mere suspicion—with parliamentary immunity suspended, with persons sentenced for alleged political agitation classed as criminals and decorations, etc., after forced trial within two days of their arrest and with no right of appeal—conditions were widely regarded as intolerable.

King Was Warned. Carlos was warned. His own son, now dead beside him, an innocent sacrifice to the blind capacity of the revolutionists, counseled moderation and the repression of Franco. Many republicans, and even scores of monarchists, before fleeing the country, to avoid the possibility of arrest, besought the king to pause and reflect.

Instead, Carlos resolutely supported the premier in every step he took, and yet another sinister prediction was made that king and premier would stand or fall together.

Don Miguel de Braganza, head of the house of the line of Braganza, which formerly reigned over Portugal, the pretender to the throne, is likely to come to the front again because of the death of King Carlos and the crown prince. The father of Don Miguel was the late King Miguel I, duke of Braganza, who seized the throne from his niece, Queen Maria II, daughter of Emperor Pedro I, of Brazil, and was king of Portugal from 1828 to 1834, at which latter date Queen Maria was restored to the throne.

There have been numerous rumors of a rebellion with the object of placing Don Miguel on the throne, but recently these were not given serious consideration.

Last June Don Miguel, through the medium of the newspapers of Vienna, announced his readiness to fill any vacancy in the Portuguese throne arising from the constitutional dispute in that country.

POPULAR SANTA FE YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED

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It was known that the couple were engaged to be married but friends did not think the ceremony would take place until spring.

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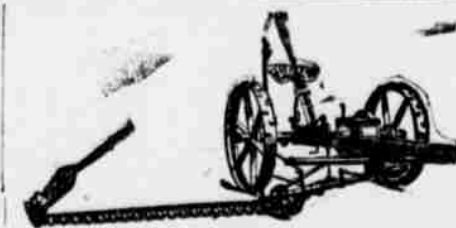
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THE BARN DANCE

By A. Landis.

Jack Sanderson played the part of "big brother" to Ruth, the lack of which she always regretted, but a better brother she could not have had.

At the barn dance Ruth was arrayed in a pretty gingham apron and a poke hat with ribbon streamers completed a pretty picture. Jack made a typical farmer.

"Ruth," he said, "you are the best little farmer girl I have seen for a long time. Won't we have a jolly time?"

Jolly! The word hardly covered it, for the good feeling which was displayed everywhere made it like one big house party. The decoration in corn was very effective; lanterns shone here and there; cider, apples and doughnuts were distributed, and when the fun began to find the red ear of corn.

The scampering into every nook and corner caused great excitement, for every young lady wanted to be the lucky bride of the coming year. Ruth found the corn and her smiling face was good to behold. She was hurried onto the stage and a speech was insisted upon.

"May we always be as happy as we are tonight. As to the red ear of corn—well, there's 'nothing doing,' she began, when the applause would not permit her to continue.

"I do wish that all the girls," she continued, "would have such a dear, big brother as I have; and the boys—well, my good feelings are always with you."

"Jack, old boy," one of the farmers cried, "where are you? Say something for yourself." And with this he was carried onto the stage. The commotion was great—everybody laughed just to look at him.

"Well, boys," he said; "if I must say something—may you all have as dear a sister as I have; and, girls—I love you all."

It was just like him, and those little speeches that night looked rather "spicuous," everyone thought.

The dance was over and they were on their homeward journey.

"Ruth, dear," Jack said, "do you know, I have a great problem to solve. Will you help me?"

He seemed so serious that it worried Ruth.

"Why, Jack, what has gone wrong? Of course I will."

"Well, Ruth," he hesitated, "I do not want to be a big brother to you any more, because—"

Poor Ruth, she then realized how hard it was for her to give him up, and it was only with a great effort that she spoke:

"Jack, you have a sweetheart now, and so will not have time for your old pal—that is what you mean, is it not? But you never told me," she said reproachfully; "you might have done that, don't you think so? I have always confided in you and thought you would in me. Well, tell me about her."

"Yes, Ruth, I have found a sweetheart, and she is the dearest, sweetest little farmer girl I ever saw. Would she not like to change her brother for a sweetheart?"

"If it is a case of losing a brother, Jack, I do want the sweetheart," she smilingly replied.

"What a fine farmer's couple we will make," he said, as he took her in his arms.

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