

# CALLES SIGNS NEW RULES ON OIL STATUTES

## U. S.-Mexico Dispute Is Believed To Be Settled; Morrow Is Credited With Pact

MEXICO CITY, March 28.—(AP)—The dispute between Mexico and the United States over the oil laws today was considered to have ended with the signing of new regulations by President Calles.

Dwight W. Morrow, American ambassador, who is regarded as having brought the controversy to an end, said the regulations showed the Mexican government's determination to "recognize all the rights held by foreigners in oil properties prior to the adoption of the 1917 constitution."

These laws, which have been a cause of friction between the two governments for ten years, were changed as the result of conferences extending over two months in which Ambassador Morrow, President Calles and Luis Morones, minister of industry and commerce, participated.

The three important points of the new regulations are:

Titles legal before 1917 are confirmed.

This confirmation is valid in perpetuity, removing the 50 year confirmatory titles for rights held prior to 1917, which the United States government considered confiscatory.

"Positive acts" or physical works upon lands necessary for retention of titles and mineral rights on the lands are defined more liberally.

On November 17, 1927, the supreme court decided that the cutting down of the oil companies' rights to a fifty year period was unconstitutional.

After the decision, President Calles asked congress to modify the law to conform to the constitution as interpreted by the court and legislation doing this was passed on December 26, 1927 and promulgated January 10, 1928. The regulations now issued make this effective.

In Mexico the passage of a law by congress and even the taking effect of that law through official publication does not dispose of the matter. The president may at any time after promulgation of the law in Mexico suspend the law, for in Mexico nobody knows what the law is until the president has announced its regulations.

Determination of what rights oil companies had on May 1, 1917 remains. Of this, Ambassador Morrow said: "While there may well be honest differences on this point, there is no reason why any such differences cannot be settled satisfactorily through due operations of Mexican governmental departments and the Mexican courts."

er several months of conferences between Mexican government officials and Dwight W. Morrow, ambassador of the United States, are regarded as removing the fundamental objections raised by this country in the long diplomatic exchanges by holding that all American oil titles acquired before May 1, 1917, when the new constitution was promulgated, are valid in perpetuity and not limited to 50 years.

Commenting on the new regulations, the state department declared it felt, as did Morrow, that "such questions, if any, as may hereafter arise can be settled through the due operation of the Mexican administrative department and the Mexican courts."

President Calles' action, the statement added, "completes the process beginning with the decision made by the judicial branch of the Mexican government on November 17, 1927, and followed by the enactment of a new petroleum law by the legislative branch on December 26, last."

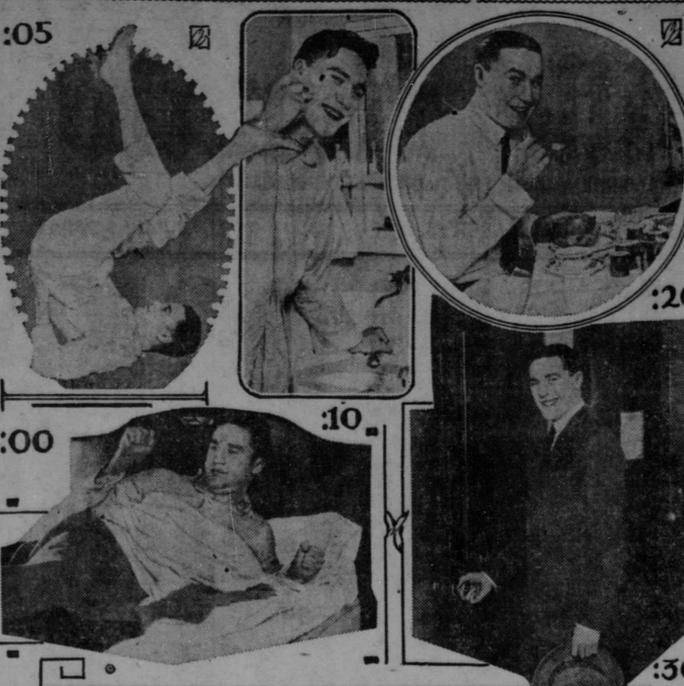
"Together, these steps, voluntarily taken by the Mexican government," it continued, "would appear to bring to a practical conclusion the discussions which began ten years ago with reference to the effect of the Mexican constitution on laws upon foreign oil companies."

## U. S. and Mexico On Firm Basis

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(AP)—Diplomatic relations between the United States and Mexico, in the opinion of Washington officials, today were on a firmer foundation than they have been for ten years as a result of the signing by President Calles of new regulations governing the activity of foreign oil companies in the southern republic.

The regulations, promulgated after

# LOUGHRAN LEADS 'FAST' LIFE—BUT IT'S HEALTHY



Nothing lazy about our Mr. Tommy Loughran, world's light-heavyweight champion. Tommy's up early at his New York hotel and in a half hour out on the streets getting the fresh morning air. Clocked by the photographer, Tommy's schedule is: :05, the first yawn; :06, a bit of exercise; :10, shaves, bathes, dress; :20, a hearty breakfast; :30, all set for the street.

**QUAKE LOSS MAY BE MORE**

Broken Lines Prevent Full Reports of Disaster

UDINE, Italy, March 28.—(AP)—Fear prevailed today that the loss of life and limb in the earthquake of yesterday in the Friulian region may be even greater than estimated because crippled telephone and telegraph lines prevented the obtaining of a full report of the disaster.

At noon the toll stood at ten dead and forty injured.

Two relief trains and a column of motor trucks loaded with food, blankets and medicines moved into the stricken region. Detachments of infantry, Alpine troops and the fascist militia had preceded them.

At Tolmezzo the panic caused by the earth tremors was accentuated by a landslide. Two great masses of earth knocked over chalets and cabins. The bell tower of the cathedral was so badly damaged that it was feared that it might fall at any moment. Another church, the prefecture, courthouse and barracks were also badly damaged.

The populace fled into a great rocky lair between the Tagliamento river and another stream. The Tolmezzo hospital was evacuated.

The fascist federation of the Udine province launched an appeal for subscriptions.

**DUCE SPEAKS OF EDUCATION**

Answer to Pope Seen in Last Address By Mussolini

ROME, March 28.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini, as if answering the pope's recent criticism concerning fascist education of the Italian youth, today spoke glowingly of Sunday's "fascist levy" when 80,000 youths were inducted into the party.

"It was not only a ceremony," the premier said in the council of ministers, "it was a most important moment in the system of universal integral education and preparation of the Italian man which the fascist revolution considers one of the fundamental primordial duties of the state. When the state does not fulfill that, or permit its discussion, it purely and simply gambles with its right to exist. In view of the widespread movement of the Balilla and Avanguardista organizations, the exceptions granted in favor of other youthful organizations lose each day their reason for existing."

The premier then hinted that existing legislation protecting such organizations as the Catholic Boy Scouts and similar institutions might "feel the necessity of reform according to the integral intransigent rules of fascism."

After reviewing the foreign situation, the premier announced that he would make an important statement on foreign policies before the senate sometime during the last half of the month of May.

He also obtained approval of a decree law granting 1,000,000 lire outright to the widow of Marshal Diaz and an annual pension during her lifetime of 100,000 lire.

**WESLACO WINS SCHOOL MEET**

Official Score Given By Director Sets New Lineup

(Special to The Herald)

McALLEN, Mar. 29.—Weslaco school, with a margin of 12 1-2 points over Donna, its nearest rival, today was declared by Director General J. D. Bramlette to be winner of the all around championship in the interscholastic league meet at Donna last week. Weslaco entries in the athletic and literary events amassed a total of 77 1-2 points while Donna stars were capturing 65, an official compilation of the results revealed.

The Pharr-San Juan school system was given third place by the officials, this school having 62 points, only three less than Donna. Mercedes entries made 52 points. Mission 50, Edinburg 40 and McAllen 24.

The entire rearrangement of winners resulted from the fact that McAllen and Donna entries had won events which did not score points toward the championship, Director Bramlette explained. An unofficial scorer Sunday morning announced that Donna had won the meet and that McAllen was in second place. The Herald reported that the winners could not be selected from the material on hand.

McAllen entries were given first place in the orchestra contest and second in the typewriting event. Donna school scored in both these events but neither of them counted in the championship award.

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**TWO MEN DIE IN SMASH-UP**

Rock Island Trains Go Together Near Loring, Kans.

BONNER SPRINGS, Kas., March 28.—(AP)—Two men were killed and five injured, three dangerously, when a Rock Island freight train crashed into the rear of a Rock Island stock train at Loring, three miles west of here, early today. The dead were Charles A. Lass, Riley, Kas., and R. E. Maxwell, Smith Center, Kas., both stock men.

The stock train had stopped at Loring because of a hot box. The second train, carrying general freight, was flagged, but the engineer was unable to stop in time and the engine plowed into the caboose of the stock train where the dead and injured were sleeping. The caboose and a car ahead, carrying merchandise, were destroyed by fire.

Those injured were H. F. Giddeon, Medora, Kas.; Jasper Buck, Dwight, Kas.; and W. H. Perry, Council Grove, Kas., all dangerously, and John Pearson, Clyde, Kas., and H. P. Arnold, Smith Center, Kas.

Maxwell was a prominent farmer and stock man of near Smith Center as is Arnold. Maxwell is survived by the widow and four children.

**San Marcos Sheriff Locates Three Girls**

AUSTIN, Tex., Mar. 28.—(AP)—Sheriff George Allen of San Marcos said Wednesday he had received word that three runaway Buda school girls for whom he has been looking for two days, had been located near San Antonio.

Two of the missing girls were sisters. The third was the daughter of a neighbor. Before leaving home they are said to have indicated an intention of visiting Del Rio and Old Mexico.

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# CABINET QUILTS IN NICARAGUA

## Diaz Given Free Hand To Work With U. S. In Election

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 28.—(AP)—The resignations of his entire cabinet were in the hands of President Diaz today so that he might have a free hand in selecting men who would unanimously support his policy for American supervision of the presidential elections.

Diaz asked for the resignations which will probably be accepted as effective April 1. Some of the cabinet had been mildly opposing the president's course in providing for the supervision. They were understood to be acting under the influence of Emiliano Chamorro, who is generally credited with having blocked the passage of the Meloy bill providing for the supervision.

Dr. Carlos Pasos, foreign minister, resigned to become a candidate for the presidential nomination of the conservative party.

# WILL REBUILD BURNED TOWN

## Seagraves to Start Immediately on New Structures

SEAGRAVES, Tex., March 28.—(AP)—Awakening after a night of fitful slumber to view the blackened ruins of almost the entire business section of the West Texas town, citizens today turned their attention to plans for rebuilding on a larger scale the 21 business houses that were razed by a fire yesterday, with an estimated property loss of \$250,000.

Rehabilitation was uppermost in the minds of the citizenship, and trucks left here for Brownfield, Lamesa and Lubbock to bring in provisions and building material to supplement the scanty supply that escaped the flames.

Only twelve of the town's 33 business buildings were left standing undamaged, including three gasoline filling stations, a garage, two lumber yards, an electric lighting plant, a theater, a real estate office and a newspaper plant.

The flames broke out shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a tailoring shop, and, driven by a stiff wind, swept on despite efforts of more than a hundred volunteer firemen, lacking sufficient water and equipment. The flames demolished one side of the town's main retail street, then jumped across to raze most of the other side. The fire finally was extinguished when it reached a brick garage, where more water was available.

# James Worley Winner In Oratory Contest

Judges of the junior boys declamation contest of Cameron county which was held Saturday at the local junior high have given the first award to James Worley, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Worley of Brownsville. The winner in the seventh grade of the local junior high school. This entitles him entrance to the district meet in McAllen in April.

In order to average some disputed points among the other contestants the record of points has been taken from Brownsville and other information was not available this morning.

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# GIRL IS SHOT AT HER HOME

## Her Brother And Brother of Suspect Join in Hunt

WALKKILL, N. Y., March 28.—(AP)—Brother was pitted against brother in a police search today for the slayer of 19-year-old Marie Terwilliger.

The girl was shot and killed as she stepped from the doorway of her home yesterday and police were seeking as her slayer Harry T. McHugh, postmaster of this village, and elder brother of Jesse McHugh, the girl's reputed sweetheart.

Jesse joined in the search for his brother, but police believed Harry drowned himself in the flooded waters of a creek that runs through the village.

Miss Terwilliger resided with her mother above the postoffice. She died without revealing the name of her slayer. Harry McHugh, police said, disappeared from the postoffice a few minutes prior to the shooting.

# HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Mrs. Mary Dugger of Hartlingen, who underwent a major operation at the Mercy hospital Monday, is reported to be improving. A medical case at the hospital today is that of Mrs. H. Sterling of Brownsville who is reported quite ill. Mrs. A. R. McDermott, also of Brownsville, underwent an operation at the hospital this morning and was reported to be resting well at noon.

**TEXAS**

— Last Day —

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— In —

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— Also —

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# Lindy May Help To May Air Mail Route

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—(AP)—The state department has something up its sleeve in connection with Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's future plans, and because of its reticence a lot of speculation is going the rounds, including the report that the transatlantic flyer is to be sent on a "good will" trip around the world.

Another rumor is that Lindbergh is concerned with mapping out a

definite program for airplane service to Central and South America. None of the reports has been confirmed. All of them arose from a brief conference the aviator had yesterday at the state department with Acting Secretary Olds.

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