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FRENCH PRESS YELLS

SPANISH MILITARY ATTITUDE IN MOROCCO RAISING A STORM OF PROTEST.

PAPERS CALL FOR A HALT

Alfonso's Nation Carrying Out Its Military Program in Northwest Africa—Troops Already Occupy Alcazar and Tetuan.

Paris.—The storm raised by Spanish military action in Morocco shows no sign of abating. The French press is unanimous in condemning the attitude of Spain and the nationalist section is beginning to eclipse the "German bogey." La Patrie declares that Germany is "poking up the fire" behind Spain. Meanwhile dispatches from Morocco show that Spain is carrying out her program. Alcazar is occupied and Tetuan soon will be.

La Liberte says the French government has invited the Spanish government to define with precision the motives, object and conditions of its military action at El Araish and Alcazar and France will then decide what steps to take in accordance with the reply. The Diary Universo of Madrid says there is no reason for a second conflict with France concerning Al Araish. The rights of both parties, the paper adds, are clearly defined by the act of Algeciras and the treaties between the countries. It is a judicial problem that can be solved by diplomatic means.

DEATH FOLLOWS FIST BOUT.

New York Lads Arrange a Prize Fight in Which One is Killed.

New York.—A barefist boxing bout between two 16-year-old boys of the upper west side following an argument over their respective abilities at a children's street game, ended with the death of James Smith, one of the participants, and the arrest of his opponent, Franke Burke, on a charge of homicide.

The bout, which took place on a vacant lot, was a deliberately arranged affair, presided over by a referee. After the exchange of several blows Burke is declared to have knocked out his opponent with a heavy blow to the jaw.

When the boy spectators found that Smith showed no signs of recovery and that his eyes were glazing they hurriedly carried him to a drug store, where an ambulance surgeon pronounced the boy dead.

Runs Amuck at Sunday Picnic.

Castle Rock, Colo.—Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Elliston are dead as the result of the former running amuck at a picnic and W. M. Daniels is in jail pending an investigation, charged with killing Elliston. Elliston shot his wife at short range and then turned the gun on himself. Daniels, who was engaged in target shooting with a revolver, fired at Elliston until the latter fell. Daniels is the son of Mrs. Elliston by a former husband. No cause is known for the trouble.

Plague in China.

Amoy, China.—The plague is abating in the interior districts to the north and west, but is increasing in the immediate vicinity of Amoy. It is reported that last month the populations of several villages on Amoy island and in the districts to the south have been decimated.

Deputy Loses His Life.

Wewoka, Okla.—Riley Smith, a deputy sheriff, was killed after he had killed one negro and wounded another at a negro picnic just north of the little town of Seminole, Okla. The trouble resulted when Smith attempted to arrest one of the negroes.

Bid for Panama Bonds.

Washington, D. C.—The government's \$50,000,000 Panama canal loan probably will be taken in the main by small investors. More than 900 sealed proposals have been received at the treasury.

Wage Dispute Settled.

Washington.—The dispute between the Southern Railway company and its firemen, which has been in mediation for two weeks, has been settled. Both sides, it is said, made concessions.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Sioux City.—Saturday's quotations on the local live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$6.00. Top hogs, \$6.05.

Released from Prison.

Pittsburg, Pa.—William Brand, former president of the common council of this city, has been released from the penitentiary after serving fourteen months for his participation in the recent councilmanic graft scandal.

Held for Daughter's Murder.

Mt. Sterling, Ill.—Mrs. Catherine Engle, 34 years old, was held by the coroner to the Whiteside county grand jury for the death of her daughter, Lucille, 6 years old, whose body was found in Aock river June 7.

VOLCANO IN ACTION

COLIMA POURS LAVA UPON MANY MEXICAN TOWNS AS RESULT OF QUAKE.

LOSS OF LIFE IS ENORMOUS

Seven Hundred Dead Are Reported at San Andres, the Largest City Destroyed, and Scores Are Believed to Be Buried in Ruins.

Mexico City.—The volcano Colima is belching forth fire and lava and the towns of San Andres, Tonila, Tomillita, Zapotiltic, San Gabriel and Tuxpan are overwhelmed. Each has a population of from 300 to 5,000 people.

The number of dead is unknown, but messages brought on a special train from San Andres, the largest town destroyed, reports 700 known dead and many hundreds more buried.

From coast to coast Mexico is devastated by the earthquake and to add to the terror of the inhabitants the volcanoes Colima and Popocatepetl are now in full eruption, great cones of smoke hovering over the craters and lava pouring down their sides into the cities and towns located there.

The death list placed early at 1,456, is growing and word is yet to be received from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, which was shaken from end to end.

The famous floating gardens of the Montezumas, located on an island in Lake Xochimilco are no more. Gardens, homes, inhabitants, island and all are sunken beneath the surface of the lake. How many victims were claimed by the earthquake here no one can say, but comparatively few if any of the natives are believed to have escaped.

The inhabitants of this island are direct descendants of the Aztecs and of pure, unmixed blood. They raised and sold nearly all the flowers and vegetables for the markets of Mexico City. Now they and their homes and their products are no more.

One hundred and fifty persons were injured in Guadalajara, but no one was killed.

The list of casualties is pouring into Mexico City. At Tacuba seven are dead and 19 injured; Tacubaya three dead, the number of injured being unknown; San Angel, two dead and seven injured from falling walls; Pinon, two dead and three injured.

Nearly all of these places are in the immediate vicinity of the capitol. The Port of Manzanillo, State of Colima, that cost \$14,000,000 to build, is badly damaged. Twenty-two persons were killed. Acapulco also suffered greatly, but as yet there are no details.

PAPKE WINS IN KNOCKOUT

America Fighter Defeats Jim Sullivan, English Champion, and Becomes Premier Middleweight.

London.—Billy Papke, the American fighter, who claims the middleweight title in this country, knocked out Jim Sullivan, the English champion, in the ninth round of their 20-round battle at Palladium. This victory crowns Papke as the middleweight champion of the world. The men fought under the English weight limit. They weighed in at 160 pounds. Papke was two ounces under the limit, while Smith was well within the weight.

The battle was a furious one while it lasted. Both men struggled hard to land the blow that meant wealth and honor, and in their wild endeavors used all sorts of tactics. Several times the referee was compelled to jump into the ring and separate the fighters. On other occasions he warned Papke against using rough tactics, such as bumping with his head in the clinches. While Sullivan was carried out of the ring well battered up, Papke bore the marks of several stinging wallops.

CLUBMAN IS SHOT BY WOMAN

C. Frederick Kohl, Millionaire 'Frisco Capitalist, is Fatally Wounded by French Maid.

San Francisco.—C. Frederick Kohl, millionaire clubman and one of the best-known capitalists of San Francisco, was shot and fatally injured by Adele Verge, a French maid formerly employed by Mrs. Kohl.

The shooting occurred in the corridor of the Grant building, Seventh and Market streets, and was witnessed by a score of persons. Miss Verge, when asked why she had shot Kohl, broke down and said she did not know. She was in a hysterical condition.

For several months Miss Verge has been involved in a lawsuit with the Kohls. Mr. and Mrs. Kohl had the woman charged with insanity and were sued by her for alleged unpaid wages and false imprisonment.

Dr. Austin B. Chamberlin Dead.

Washington.—Dr. Austin B. Chamberlin, secretary general of the supreme council of the Southern Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite Masons, died here of apoplexy. His body was taken to Galveston, where an elaborate Masonic funeral will be held.

Son of Stillman Weds.

San Francisco.—Ernest Goodrich Stillman, son of James Stillman, the New York banker, and Miss Mildred Whitney of San Francisco were married in Trinity Episcopal church.

LOST BALL



TAFT IS ATTACKED

UNDERWOOD PRESENTS REPORT ON WOOL TARIFF REVISION BILL TO HOUSE.

BOARD ALSO GETS SCORING

Minority Members of Ways and Means Committee Declare Measure is "Cold Blooded" and Brought Forward for Purely "Political Reasons."

Washington.—The long expected wool tariff revision bill was presented to the house by Chairman Underwood of the ways and means committee. The long report accompanying it attacks President Taft and the tariff board.

Quoting President Taft's addresses after the passage of the Payne-Aldrich bill, in which he declared that "the woolen schedule is indefensible and I propose to say so," the report says:

Had the president made these public admissions earlier, while the tariff of 1909 was under consideration, by congress, his declarations would have been of real service to the people and would have enabled them to protest against the betrayal of the public welfare to private greed.

The report deals at some length with the attitude of the administration in not communicating to congress data on the "steel trust" and other industries now being investigated, and the failure of the tariff board to communicate data on the woolen industry.

"The position of the tariff board appears to be," says the report, "that they, in conference with and under the sole control of the president, shall be the sole judges as to what part of the data they collect may be likely to be of service for purposes of legislation; and this situation must be considered with reference to the viewpoint of the president concerning tariff legislation.

"It is, therefore, not impossible that there may be some such delay in the communication to the congress of statistical information collected by the tariff board concerning wool and woolen goods as there has been in communicating to congress or making public the data by the bureau of corporations concerning investigations of the steel and other industries."

The report maintains that any further delay in the revision of the wool and woolen schedule would be objectionable to the public.

A minority report is signed by Messrs. Payne, Dalzell, Needham and Longworth. "For purely political reasons," it says, "this cold-blooded measure is brought forward. If it could become a law it would slaughter sheep as in 1894 and close the mills much more universally."

U. S. ENDS ITS LAKE NAVY

Gunboat Wolverine, Last of War Vessels on Inland Seas, Placed Out of Commission.

Washington.—An order issued by the navy department placing the gunboat Wolverine out of commission at Erie, Pa., preparatory to turning it over to the naval militia at that place is of international significance. It removed from the great lakes the last regularly commissioned United States warship.

London Bank is Closed.

London.—The Birbeck bank in High Holborn, which withstood a run last fall caused by rumors that the institution was in trouble, has suspended payment. The directors estimate the deficit at \$1,875,000, but the actuaries think that \$3,750,000 will be nearer the mark.

Madison Square Garden is Sold.

New York.—Madison Square garden was sold to a syndicate which will tear down the structure and erect a 25-story office building.

ASK LORIMER GUIDE

BODY WANTS AID OF HIGH-CLASS ATTORNEY IN NEW PROBE.

Testimony Gathered by Helm Body at Springfield, Ill., is Presented.

Washington.—An evidence of the thoroughness with which the special senate committee intends to probe the Lorimer scandal is given in the fact that it is considering several famous lawyers for counsel. It is probable that either former Secretary of War Dickinson or Louis D. Brandeis of Boston will be retained. The committee expects that the witnesses and corporations from whom testimony and books are sought will fight every step of the way. It may even be necessary to make examples of some of the refractory witnesses and punish them for contempt.

Carrying out the program agreed on by the senate committee on privileges and elections, Senator Dillingham introduced in the senate a resolution authorizing a subcommittee of eight members to reinvestigate the charges against Senator Lorimer of Illinois.

The subcommittee is authorized by the resolution to sit when and where it pleases, to employ stenographers, counsel and accountants; to send for persons, books, records and papers; to administer oaths, and report as early as practicable to the senate.

The committee is instructed specially to inquire fully into the sources and use of the alleged "jack-pot" or any other fund affecting the election of Mr. Lorimer.

The resolution named Senators Dillingham, Gamble, Jones, Kenyon, Johnston, Fletcher, Kern and Lea and directed them "forthwith to investigate whether Mr. Lorimer is now entitled to retain his seat."

GIRLS SHOOT W. E. D. STOKES

Proprietor of Ansonia Hotel at New York Badly Wounded in Quarrel With Women.

New York.—William Earl Dodge Stokes, millionaire proprietor of the Ansonia hotel, was shot three times and badly wounded by two girls whose apartment on the fourth floor of the fashionable Varuna, at Broadway and Eightieth street, he was visiting.

The young women were Lillian Graham, aged twenty-two years, a singer, and Ethel Conrad, eighteen years old, an artist. Each fired three shots, Miss Graham's bullets inflicting two wounds and Miss Conrad's one.

The possession of a package of letters, both the girls and their victim agreed, furnished the motive for the shooting. The letters, it is said, were written by Mr. Stokes to Miss Graham before his second marriage, which occurred last February.

Seventeen-Year Locust Appears.

Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.—What naturalists say is the 17-year locust is here in full force. Trees throughout the town are alive with the insects. The characteristic "W" is noticed at the tip of the insects' wings.

Colquitt is Threatened.

Austin, Tex.—Governor Colquitt, leader of the "wets," is going to Fort Worth despite a letter warning him that he may be killed if he attends an anti-prohibition rally there. He has received many other threats.

GATES IS DISPUTED

GARY DENIES THAT THREATS LED TO MERGER.

Says Roosevelt's Acquiescence in Coal Deal Was Act of Constructive Statesmanship.

Washington.—Elbert H. Gary, executive head of the United States Steel corporation, told the house investigating committee a version of the formation of that enterprise which contradicted testimony of John W. Gates that the threats of Andrew Carnegie to build rival railroads and tube works had induced J. Pierpont Morgan to institute negotiations culminating in the gigantic steel combination.

"Such matters as I learned were testified to by Mr. Gates before this committee," Mr. Gary said, after a detailed statement of the formation of the steel combination, "never were spoken of in the deliberations over the deal. I do not remember that Mr. Morgan ever mentioned these matters to me."

Mr. Gary said that Mr. Gates had nothing to do with questions regarding the charter and form of organization of the steel corporation.

Mr. Gary, in the course of his testimony, declared that if former President Roosevelt had not approved of the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company by the United States Steel corporation he, Gary, never would have voted to consummate that deal.

Mr. Gary, cross-examined by Mr. Littleton of New York, elaborated his views as to government supervision of corporations and pleaded for greater co-operation between government officials and the directing forces of big business combinations. Mr. Gary insisted that the government was just as likely to go too far in one direction as the corporations in another.

Mr. Gary denied charges, attributed to Senator Oliver of Pennsylvania, that the Steel corporation was trying to gain control over Ohio river transportation lines so as to cut out water competition in the shipment of coal.

These charges were set forth by Robert C. Hall, former president of the Pittsburgh Stock exchange, another witness.

Returning to the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company, Mr. Littleton asked "just when" that transaction relieved the financial situation.

"Just as soon as we sent back word from Washington that President Roosevelt would allow the deal to be made," Mr. Gary said, "I don't know what the committee thinks about it, but I myself believe that the action of the president in this connection was a piece of real constructive statesmanship."

Mr. Gary again declared in the course of further questioning that President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Root not only sanctioned the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company by the Steel corporation, but held it to be necessary to avert widespread financial disaster.

Mr. Gary said anew that financial conditions in 1907 were such that something had to be done to prevent a panic. The conference at the White House, he declared, was the final step in the campaign of prevention, and he added that if the administration had declined to permit the combination of the two big steel properties he would have opposed it in the Steel corporation.

GRACE BRYAN IS A BRIDE

Youngest Daughter of Nebraska Commoner is Married to Richard L. Hargreaves.

Lincoln, Neb.—Grace Dexter Bryan youngest of the Nebraska commoner's children and last to leave the Bryan home, was wedded at Fairview to Richard L. Hargreaves, son of a prominent Lincoln wholesale grocer. Rev. John Huntington, an intimate friend of the family, performed the ceremony. Miss Louise Tyler, daughter of the ex-governor of Virginia, was bridesmaid, while William Bryan, Jr., was best man to the groom. The wedding was private, attended only by immediate relatives.

WRECK OF THE MAINE RISES

Visible Part of Ship Practically the Same as Before it Sank into the Mud.

Havana.—The first stage of the actual work of uncovering the wreck of the battleship Maine was completed when pumping operations ceased after the water level within the great cofferdam built around the wreck had been lowered five feet.

This leaves the portion of the wreck visible above the water practically the same as on the night of the disaster, before the hull had time to become imbedded in the mud. There is now visible a long stretch of the starboard side of the quarter deck.

Confesses to Killing 57.

Berlin.—Messages from Kazan say that Alexander Zaryzin, arrested there on a wholesale murder charge, has confessed to having slain 57 persons, including an army officer and his wife in Sebastopol.

Bank is Robbed of \$9,000.

Tooele, Utah.—After binding and gagging S. I. Shafer, cashier of the Commercial bank, two mounted robbers fled to the hills with \$9,000 of the bank's money. Several posses started in pursuit.



Some Penitentiary Statistics.

The fact that there are thirty-nine persons in the state penitentiary serving life sentences will be news to most newspaper readers. At the last report there were 426 prisoners there. Of these twenty-five have sentences ranging from 10 to 40 years, while the remainder are under sentences of from six months to 10 years. There were 321 whites, 98 negroes, 6 Indians and one Korean. Two white and two colored women were included. During the last two years four were received under sentence of the death penalty, 6 who had been convicted of first degree murder were sent up for life and a similar sentence had been imposed upon three convicted of second degree murder. Eight were received who had been convicted of manslaughter. In all 31 slayers of their fellows were received at the prison during the biennium. Two came from Adams county, one from Antelope, one from Brown one from Burt, one from Cherry, 2 from Cass, 2 from Cheyenne, 12 from Douglas, one from Gage, one from Hall, 2 from Keith, one from Kearney, one from Madison, one from Sheridan. In addition 36 others who had been convicted of attempts to kill were placed in prison.

An Ordnance Department.

Acting under new regulations of the war department, Adjutant General Phelps has created an ordnance department in the Nebraska national guard. The work of the new department has been done by officers in the adjutant general's department, but hereafter a separate department will be maintained. Major Louis H. Gage, assistant adjutant general, is detailed as chief ordnance officer, Captain Lon C. Kesterson, Second infantry, and Captain Lincoln Riley, First infantry, are appointed ordnance officers and all are detailed as inspectors of small arms practice—Major Gage to the First brigade, Captain Riley to the First regiment and Captain Kesterson to the Second regiment.

New Course for Athletes.

State university athletes will find a new course of study awaiting their favor when they return to school next fall. All-year Athletic Coach E. O. Stehlm has announced an innovation in the form of a course on the theory and practice of football. The course will be conducted throughout both semesters of next year, including library readings, class recitations and laboratory work, the latter in the nature of practical demonstrations on the athletic field. In return for the completion of the course, the students may receive two hours' university credit. The course will correspond to track athletics.

Dedicate New Y. M. C. A. Building.

Lincoln.—With fitting ceremonies the new five-story Y. M. C. A. building which has been under construction for over a year, was formally and solemnly dedicated Sunday afternoon. Two programs were given, the first in the city auditorium, followed by an address and formal opening of the new building by W. J. Bryan on the west steps of the structure.

Big Egg Dealers Willing.

The big creamery and egg purchasing firms of Omaha have adopted resolutions favoring the new rules promulgated by Food Commissioner W. R. Jackson, which lay the burden of candling eggs upon the country dealers who buy direct from farmers. The big firms which buy from the merchants are heartily in favor of this arrangement.

Frank W. Booth of Washington, D. C., has been appointed superintendent of the Nebraska school for deaf at Omaha. Governor Aldrich made the appointment and it will become effective July 1. Superintendent Stewart, who has been holding over, will leave the institution at that time.

Clarence W. Erwin, one of the oldest of the present state bank examiners, has resigned and Governor Aldrich has appointed in his place H. C. Nicholson, assistant cashier of the Livestock National bank of South Omaha.

To Prosecute Bookkeeper.

Governor Aldrich has instructed Attorney General Martin to begin criminal proceedings against Thomas E. Stewart, formerly bookkeeper of the state institute for feeble minded at Beatrice, because of a shortage of \$1,337 in the cash of the institution as shown by the books kept by Mr. Stewart. It is said Mr. Stewart will make the defense that he was not alone in the custody of the cash of the institution and that others had access to the money drawer.

Rural Life Commission Meets.

The rural life commission, appointed by Governor Aldrich after the passage of a resolution by the last legislature, met in Lincoln and outlined its work for the next year. The members of the commission are L. C. Lawson of Clarks, chairman; Dean Charles E. Bessey, G. T. Condra, J. W. Crabtree, W. S. Delano and F. G. Odell, all of Lincoln; R. W. McGinnis of Fremont, J. D. Ream of Broken Bow, J. A. Ollis, Jr., of Ord, and J. S. Canaday of Minden.