

## REBELS DEMAND THAT DIAZ RESIGN

Peace Conference Begins Near Juarez Between Representatives of Contending Sides.

CREDENTIALS ARE EXCHANGED  
Negotiations Formally Started by the Envoys.

CARRAJAL HAS HARD TASK AHEAD  
Seeks to Persuade Insurrectionary Executive Will Leave.

LIMANTOUR IS IN DIRECT CHARGE  
Two Sessions of Conference Held, Site Being on Mexican Side of Rio Grande Between Juarez and Rebel Camp.

EL PASO, Tex., May 4.—The Mexican government and the revolutionists, headed by Francisco Madero, Jr., formally gathered in peace negotiations today.

Judge Carrajal of the supreme court of Mexico, represented the government, while Dr. Vasquez Gomez headed the rebels, assisted by Francisco Madero, Sr., with Senator Pineda as legal adviser. Credentials were exchanged by both sides and the negotiations began.

It was stated at the Madero camp by one of the insurrectionists, that the resignation of President Diaz finally was included in the list of the revolutionist demands.

It is believed Judge Carrajal will seek to have this question excluded from the provisions of the peace agreement, though it was rumored that he would repeat various assurances already made to the insurrectionists by President Diaz himself to intermediate persons, that he intended to relinquish the presidency after the peace agreement was put into effect.

Credentials of Carrajal.  
The credentials of the federal envoy as made public before the conference, were as follows:

"The president of the republic has designated you in conformity with these instructions which have been given you and those which we will communicate to you subsequently, to proceed to discuss with Senator Don Francisco I. Madero, chief of the revolution, or with the representative whom he may name, on the basis of an arrangement which should put an end to the state of disorder and re-establish order in the whole country."

"In carrying out this, you are able to utilize the services of Senator Oscar J. Brundiff and Don Esquivel Obregon, who have spontaneously and disinterestedly intervened in an official manner in the preliminary stages of the peace conference."

"In the absence of the secretary of the interior, you will be able to communicate with the undersigned in all matters relating to this commission."  
(Signed) "J. T. LIMANTOUR."  
"Mexico City, April 28."

The peace conference was adjourned at 12:30 o'clock to be resumed at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Dr. Vasquez Gomez claims that a good disposition to arrange the matter in dispute was manifested and that a definite agreement probably could be effected within the next few days.

The site of the peace conference was not chosen for the convenience of the newspaper men. It is on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande, midway between Juarez and the insurrection camp. As General Navarro will not allow the reporters to pass through Juarez it is necessary to make the trip to the scene of the peace negotiations by way of the foot bridge near the El Paso smelter, two miles beyond the meeting place of the conference, which in addition necessitates the retracing of two miles more on the Mexican side.

REBELS HAVE TAKEN MASATLAN  
Mexican War Department Is Advised of Capture of Port.

MEXICO CITY, May 4.—The War department advises confirm the news reported that Masatlan, a seaport in Sonora, where many Americans are said to be, is held by the rebels. The official dispatches give no details. Telegram communication with the place has been cut off.

It is considered here that Mexico City is not in danger of attack in any event. The capital is garrisoned by more than 2,000 federal and 1,500 gendarmes, with cannon and rapid-fire guns.

The authorities declare that the city could withstand any assault.  
Many rebel bands are reported in the

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## Rock Island Lets Big Grading Contract For New Iowa Line

Council Bluffs Contractor Gets Million Dollar Job on Road from Carlisle to Allerton.

Wickham Brothers of Council Bluffs yesterday secured the contract for a Rock Island construction project where the cost of grading alone will approximate \$1,000,000. It is a new Iowa line which the Rock Island has decided to build from Carlisle, twelve miles south of Des Moines, to Allerton in Wayne county, sixty miles south.

The new line will open up some valuable new territory, that is but sparsely supplied with railroads. The line runs through Chariton and Dallas, passing within twelve miles of Knoxville and penetrating a very rich country. The contract awarded to the Wickhams calls for the immediate beginning of grading work on a stretch ten miles north from Chariton and another portion of twenty miles south of Carlisle. This is the heaviest part of the work, and calls for some deep cuts and fills. A portion of it is rock work, but the greater part is adapted to wheel scraper operation. There are some parts where steam shovels will be required, and this part has been let to the McArthur company.

The contract requires the commencement of work immediately and its completion by July of next year. The Wickhams will begin just as soon as they can get their outfit on the ground. E. A. Wickham is now in Chicago looking after some of the preparatory details.

The purpose of the Rock Island company in rushing the construction is believed to be to head off the Burlington, whose surveying gangs have been operating in the country for some time. The anxiety of the company to get in first is indicated by the fact the construction contract has been let before the right-of-way has all been purchased. It is the largest railroad building project that will be undertaken in Iowa during the year.

## King Solomon's Crown, Sword and Ring Are Found by Excavators

Operations of Syndicate of Investigators May Cause Interesting Diplomatic Incident.

LONDON, May 4.—The operations at Jerusalem of the Anglo-American syndicate of excavators threaten to cause an interesting diplomatic affair. According to today's messages from Constantinople, the Turkish government takes a serious view of the matter and has sent high officials to Jerusalem to investigate the charges that the foreigners despoiled the Mosque of Omar and discovered and carried away sacred relics hidden from the Romans when the city was sacked by Titus in A. D. 70.

Meantime the whereabouts of the archaeological and the nature of their spoils is a mystery.  
There is no doubt that the promoters of the enterprise hoped to discover the ark of the covenant and the seven-branched candlestick, but the Constantinople dispatch says it is believed that the explorers found Solomon's crown, his sword and his ring and an ancient manuscript of the Bible. The extent of the operations is shown by the statement that \$300,000 has been spent by the syndicate. Members of the Armour family of Chicago are reported to be among the backers of the expedition.

## Abbatemaggio Confronts Cerrato

"This Man," He Said, "Struck Cuccolo with a Club After He Had Been Stabbed by Others."

VITERBO, Italy, May 4.—The trial of the Camorrista was resumed today, a substitute juror taking the place of Dr. Michele de Maria, whose indisposition necessitated an early adjournment yesterday afternoon.

Again Abbatemaggio, the informer, held the center of the stage, being called on to confront Giuseppe Salvi and later Antonio Cerrato, both of whom he denounced as having taken an active part in the murder of Genaro Cuccolo. He repeated his original accusations against Salvi, the latter denying each in turn. Then the two exchanged invectives, the war of words ending the session.

Abbatemaggio—You are an assassin. Salvi—You are like a cow which is called an ass with horns. You have a muddy conscience, which you have sold to the carabinieri.

Cerrato, whose manner suggested that he had not forgotten or forgiven the insult of yesterday, when Abbatemaggio spat in his face, was released from the prisoners' cage and stood before the informer.

"This man," said Abbatemaggio, "struck Cuccolo with a club after he had been stabbed by the others and was half dead." "You are a liar," was the response, and in this vein the dialogue was continued.

## DYING STATEMENT EXCLUDED

Court Decides Point in Favor of the Divinity Student Charged with Murder.

OLATHE, Kan., May 4.—The juror who are hearing the case of Karl Bickel, the Kansas City divinity student, charged with the murder of Miss Frances Peters, also of Kansas City, here last September, will not hear the dying statement made by the girl. This was decided today when Judge J. O. Rankin ruled that the statement, together with the testimony of the girl's mother at the preliminary hearing, was not admissible.

John J. Lewis of Kansas City, who was engaged to marry Miss Peters at the time of her death, told of his last visit to her at a hospital. He said the girl accused Bickel of having caused her condition. The state, it is believed, will have its case completed this afternoon.

## SHOP STRIKE IS SPREADING

Men on Pennsylvania Railroad Lines West of Pittsburgh Going Out.

PITTSBURGH, May 4.—The strike of the Pennsylvania railroad shopmen which was extended to the Pennsylvania lines west this morning continued to grow this afternoon. Over 1,500 additional men joined the strike today.

## FRIENDS AT BIER OF M. R. HOPEWELL

Nebraskans Gather at Tekamah for Last Tribute to Departed Official.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S BURIAL  
Sermon Pronounced by Rev. J. C. Williams of Home City.

MASONS IN CHARGE AT GRAVE  
Grand Custodian Robert French Presides with Ritual.

ALDRICH AND OFFICIALS ATTEND  
State Executive Offices at Lincoln Close in Honor of Dead—Prominent Men in Official Life Present.

TEKAMAH, Neb., May 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Many Nebraskans gathered here today to pay last tribute to Lieutenant Governor M. R. Hopewell.

Large delegations were present from the Masonic lodges at Lyons, Decatur, Oakland and Craig, of Burr county, and from Knight Templar commanderies of Blair and Mt. Calvary of Omaha. Official and business circles of Omaha and Lincoln were represented largely. The services were held in the Baptist church.

Previous to the services the body of the late lieutenant governor lay in state at the Hopewell residence.

Under escort of the Knights Templar and Blue lodges the casket was taken to the church. The floral decorations were magnificent and came from friends, local and out in the state. Rev. J. C. Williams, pastor of the local church, after reading a sketch of the life of Judge Hopewell, delivered a short address on a passage taken from the Ninetieth Psalm, "Teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts until wisdom."

The choir sang "Lead Kindly Light," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

Ralph Conkling of this city sang a baritone solo "Some Sweet Day Bye and Bye."

The judges of the district court were present as were many of the state officials, including Governor Aldrich.

After the services at the church at 5:45 the funeral cortege proceeded to the Tekamah cemetery, where the ritualistic services of the Masonic order were conducted by the officers of the Grand Lodge of the state. Robert E. French, grand custodian, presiding. As the sun was setting, the body of Tekamah's honored citizen was consigned to the grave.

Tekamah and Burr county mourns the loss of one of its most estimable and representative citizens and bids him a final farewell with nothing but kind thoughts and affection for him who in his life had been friend and comfort.

The honorable pallbearers were: Governor Chester H. Aldrich, Judge Fawcett of the supreme court, Senator J. W. L. Lincoln, Judge A. C. Truap of the district court of Omaha, Board of Omaha, Congressman J. F. Latta of this city and John L. Wilson of Elk City, Okla.

The acting pallbearers were H. M. Hopewell and L. O. Hopewell, brothers of the dead, and four brother-in-laws, the Rev. H. L. Powers and Charles E. Bardwell of Omaha, and Taylor Leitch of Decatur and W. B. Thomas of this city.

A party of state officials, including Governor Aldrich, went through Omaha Thursday morning on their way to Tekamah, Senator J. H. Morehead of Falls City, who succeeds Judge Hopewell, arrived Wednesday night and spent Thursday morning in an automobile ride about the city with friends. Among others who came through Omaha were Secretary Smith of the state, whose home is in Edward, and Senator Philip Kohl. Members of the Douglas county delegation joined them on the afternoon train for Tekamah.

A party of Omaha city officials departed at noon. Among those who paid their last respects were John Rine, city attorney; Dan Butler, city clerk; George W. Craig, city engineer; Goodley Bricker, president of the city council, and Judges Rens, Truap and Day of the district court.

State Offices Closed.  
LINCOLN, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—Governor Aldrich and several of the state officials left the city this morning to attend the funeral of Lieutenant Governor Hopewell, which is to be held at Tekamah this evening. All state offices were closed this afternoon out of respect to the late state official.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS.  
Port. Arrived. Sailed.  
NEW YORK. City. 10:30. 11:00.  
LIVERPOOL. 10:30. 11:00.  
SOUTHAMPTON. 10:30. 11:00.  
NAPLES. 10:30. 11:00.  
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## Benjamin Franklin Bush, New President of the Mop

Benjamin Franklin Bush, new president of the Missouri Pacific, who has set himself about the task of rebuilding the road and putting it on a money-making basis, is a railroad man of long experience. He is a native of Pennsylvania, and will be 51 on the 15th of July next. He was educated in the public schools and took a course in surveying at a normal school. Beginning with the Northern Pacific as a red man in a surveying gang, he has served many roads in diverse capacities. At one time he was division engineer for the Union Pacific in Idaho and Oregon. Leaving railroad service, he was connected with the Oregon Improvement company, and later was general manager of the Northwest Improvement company, which controlled the coal lands of the Northern Pacific. He entered the Gould service as fuel agent for the Missouri Pacific at St. Louis in 1908, and later was connected with the Gould line in the east, serving as president of the Western Maryland. He was elected president of the Missouri Pacific last month. Mr. Bush is regarded as an expert on coal and fuel problems. He is married and has one daughter.

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## Getting Acquainted



From the Minneapolis Journal.

## ROOSEVELT ON DYNAMITING

Former President Discusses Prosecution of the McNamara's.

HE SAYS, "MURDER IS MURDER"  
Relations of Organized Labor and Organized Capital Should Not Be Allowed to Obscure the Real Issue.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt will have a signed article entitled "Murder is Murder" in the Outlook this week, dealing with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times and the arrests recently made by Detective Burns. Mr. Roosevelt says:

"There is one feature of the developments as regards the arrest of certain alleged labor men in connection with the dynamite outrage perpetrated against the Los Angeles Times to which special attention should be called. If the explosion was not an accident, but the deliberate act of any man or men, it was an outrage of dastardly iniquity, for it was one of these crimes in which the murderer, in order to gratify his spite against an individual, not merely wrecked that individual's property, but with callous indifference takes the lives of scores of innocent people as an incident to the achievement of his sinister and criminal purpose. The men responsible for dynamiting the Los Angeles Times building are responsible not only for the wreck of the newspaper offices, but for the loss of many lives."

"The arrest was made in consequence of testimony secured by Mr. Burns. Who has been Mr. Hester's right hand man in bringing to justice grafters who violate the law of the United States in Oregon and grafters who violated the laws of California in San Francisco. He has proceeded with impartial severity against the most influential politicians and the richest business men. It happens that the men whom he has now arrested are members of a labor organization; just as men whom he formerly arrested were members of the republican or democratic parties or of great and wealthy corporations."

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## Visiting Doctors See Rare Clinic at an Omaha Hospital

Dr. Millard Langfeld Operates on Child with Flexner Meningitis Serum.

Doctors visiting in Omaha for the state convention were given an unexpected chance Thursday noon to see a demonstration of the Flexner meningitis serum, the remedy for one of the most dangerous of children's diseases.

Elizabeth Panza, 314 William street, the patient, was at St. Joseph's hospital and the serum was administered by Dr. Millard Langfeld, Dr. Langfeld is the representative in Nebraska of the Rockefeller institute of New York, where the serum is manufactured, and is the sole distributor of it for the institute.

Dr. McClanahan, the child's physician, helped Dr. Langfeld perform the operation and fifty physicians attended the clinic to see the demonstration.

The child is only 6 years old and has been ill only since Monday. The operation was performed and a lecture given at the same time for the benefit of the doctors, but the work was successfully done and the patient is expected to recover.

Columbus Grand Jury Resumes Work

It Will Inquire Into Alleged Contributions of Corporations to Campaign Expenses of Legislators.

COLUMBUS, O., May 4.—The Franklin county grand jury today resumed its session following the indictment last yesterday of five members of the Ohio legislature on the charge of bribe soliciting and the indictment of an officer of the legislature on the charge of abetting bribe soliciting.

It became known today that there is to be a rigid inquiry into facts concerning large contributions alleged to be made by corporations and other interests to campaign expenses of members of the general assembly.

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## HILL HITS FREE LIST BILL HARD

Connecticut Member of House Says Estimate Can Be Made of Revenues to Be Cut Off.

WILL AID, NOT HINDER, TRUSTS  
Combines Will Be Able to Use Cheap Labor Abroad.

BILL TOO GENERAL IN TERMS  
Underwood Replies Real Purpose is to Reduce Prices.

FOCHT AND SIMS HAVE TILT  
Pennsylvanian Has Amusing Clash with Tennessee Man—Ownership of White House Most Questioned.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Not since the Republican guns were unlimbered against the democratic free list bill by Minority Leader Mann, more than a week ago, has the debate in the house developed such an attack on the measure as was made today by Representative Hill of Connecticut, a republican member of the ways and means committee and one of the leading republican advocates of the Canadian reciprocity bill.

Mr. Hill asserted that the bill devised by the democratic leaders, removing the tariff duties from many food products and manufactured articles, was so crudely drawn and so indefinite in its terms that no estimate could be made of the revenue it would cut off or the effect it would have on business and commerce. He said that instead of \$10,000,000 reduction in revenue as the democrats expected, it might make a reduction of \$30,000,000 and that its effect upon business would be to transfer many flourishing industries to Europe.

"You intended to hit the trusts," said Mr. Hill to the democrats, "you will wake up to find you have in fact helped the trusts; taken away the revenues of the government and put the money into the pockets of the trusts, instead of into the pockets of the people, whom you claim to be helping."

Skilled Labor Would Suffer.  
Mr. Hill explained that the International Harvester Machine company, the large sewing machine companies and other great manufacturers would be able under the democratic bill to manufacture parts of their machines cheaper abroad and bring them into this country to be assembled by cheap labor here. Mechanics and skilled labor would suffer loss of employment, he said.

He declared that the democratic bill was so general in terms as to admit almost anything free of duty. Woolen goods, all kinds of wire, all sorts of fabrics, steel, lead and pig iron were among the things he mentioned.

For making many manufactured products free of duty, like shoes, harness, saddlery and the like, while leaving a duty against the raw materials that American manufacturers have to import. He said also that in attempting to make free of duty the bagging used to wrap up cotton bales the democratic bill would let in free the bagging used by the fertilizer trust; the cement mills of the United States Steel company and other monopolies which would give no corresponding reduction in prices to consumers.

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