

PEOPLE OF MEXICO NOT DISTURBED BY KILLING OF MADERO

United States Ambassador Issues a Statement Concerning Conditions Existing in City. FRIENDLY TO UNITED STATES People of the Country Turn Thoughts to Election to Be Held.

DIAS TO HAVE OPPOSITION Francisco de la Barra to Enter Campaign for the Presidency. HUERTA INSISTS FREE CHOICE Provisional President Sends Envoy to Rebel Chiefs to Advise Them of Plans of Government Proposed.

BULLETIN. MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—The Mexican government today formally declared closed the place of entry at Laredo on the Texas frontier, at the same time admitting that the rebels were in possession of the town.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The killing by bandits of Boris Corro, an American citizen, last Sunday at Los Laureles, Matamoros, Texas, when three other Americans and a Spaniard escaped was reported here today with the information that Ambassador Wilson had requested the Huerta government at Mexico City to send troops for the protection of Americans in the vicinity of the disturbance.

Ambassador Wilson, reporting that public sentiment in the Mexican capital seems undisturbed by the killing of Madero and Suarez, added that private and unofficial telegrams indicate the same situation, with few exceptions, throughout the republic. The government, evidently suspicious of the loyalty of Governor Carranza of Coahuila, has refused to accept his proposed adhesion and is sending troops against him.

Volunteers in Chihuahua City are reported in arms against the new government. The state government has elected Fabago, the military commander, to the governorship to succeed Governor Gonzalez, now in prison. Consul Edwards, who reports the situation at Juarez strained, says the former military and civil officials continue to hold their posts.

Madero sympathizers are said to be destroying railroad property in the vicinity of Chihuahua City. No trains left there for the south yesterday morning. Some excitement but no disorder is reported from Nogales.

Ambassador Wilson reports that John Kenneth Turner, the writer, for whom fears were entertained, is in no danger. John E. Chapman is reported safe and Consul Shanklin at Mexico City reports that H. B. Pond and family are safe and that Dr. Harrison has left for Dallas, Tex.

Consul Garrett telegraphed from Nuevo Laredo that he was yesterday attacked on the street by a saloon keeper because he had caused the arrest of criminals who were operating from the saloon and were robbing Americans.

Political Tension in Europe Relaxes VIENNA, Feb. 25.—A reassuring statement on the European situation was made today by the Austrian premier, Count Karl Sturgis, to a delegation of members of the Austrian Parliament.

"There is good ground for the hope that at no distant date a general relaxation of the present political tension will set in." This is taken here as a confirmation of the announcement that Russia has agreed to the Austrian contention that Soudan must remain part of Albania.

It is anticipated that orders will be given shortly for the disembarkment of large bodies of Austro-Hungarian reservists now in Galicia near the Russian frontier.

The Weather Forecast till 7 p. m. Wednesday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Rain or snow; warmer.

Table with 2 columns: Time (5 a.m., 6 a.m., etc.) and Temperature (High, Low, etc.). Includes comparative local record and reports from stations at 7 P. M.

BIG TEMPEST IN A TEAPOT

Troops Rushed to Brownsville Under Misunderstanding. TOWN QUIETEST PLACE ON MAP Americans Not Molested in Any Way—Commander of Rangers Misconstrues Remark of Consul Johnson.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Feb. 25.—The dispatch of several companies of state and federal troops last night to protect Americans against alleged dangers from Mexican soldiers in Matamoros, Mexico, appeared today to have been the result of a decided misunderstanding. Matamoros, according to Americans arriving here today, was about the quietest place on the map during the alleged trouble.

The troops were ordered out when Captain Head of the local state forces declared American Consul Johnson at Matamoros had asked him whether he could enter Mexico if necessary. Captain Head immediately wired this to Governor Colquitt. Consul Johnson today laughed at reports that he had been in peril.

The military commander in Matamoros, based on Mexican residents of the city to maintain his soldiers as protectors against bandits, Americans, however, were not molested.

While the rumors were in circulation last night Texas state troops were ordered to the border. LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 25.—The Texas Ranger force here received orders this morning to proceed to Brownsville, Tex. One troop of the Fourteenth United States cavalry has left here for Brownsville, carrying equipment for thirty days' field service. The cavalry is due at Brownsville tonight.

Governor Colquitt Elected. AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 25.—Cessation of apparent hostilities at Matamoros and Brownsville is but temporary, I believe, declared Governor Colquitt of Texas today. "To one not understanding the situation thoroughly the action of this office might be misconstrued. For the last few days telegrams and letters have been received by me requesting protection and aid, not only from people in the vicinity of Brownsville and Matamoros, but all along the border. Every means of securing protection from federal troops was resorted to, with no success. The requests for aid continued to pour into headquarters here and it was necessary to do something to protect the people of that section, their property and interests."

The governor said he felt that the secretary of war and officials at Washington did not realize the situation along the border. General E. Z. Steever, in command of the federal troops at San Antonio, it was understood suggested to Washington the advisability of border guards, but received no reply.

The American consul at Matamoros appealed to the Texas ranger force for assistance, according to reports reaching here last night, and this was partly responsible for the order to the Texas national guardsmen to go to Brownsville. "This office does not care in any way to interfere with federal action, but bar-

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Two More Explorers Are Frozen to Death in Antarctic Region

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Feb. 25.—Another was added to the list of Antarctic tragedies by the news received here today of the death of two members of the expedition commanded by Dr. Douglas Mawson.

The party left Tasmania in 1911, accompanied by a large body of scientific men to explore thoroughly the regions around the southern magnetic pole.

Once again the British army is affected by the loss of a brilliant officer. Lieutenant H. E. S. Nims of the famous Royal Fusiliers regiment, he was a close friend of Captain Lawrence Oates, of the Inuitkilling dragons, who perished while returning from the south pole.

Dr. Mawson also suffered from the death of Dr. Merz, a prominent scientist and sportsman. After winning the ski jumping championship in Switzerland in 1908 he offered his service to Dr. Mawson.

Lieutenant Nims was the expert of the expedition on snowshoeing and sledging. The wireless messages hitherto received from the Aurora do not state the cause of his death or that of Dr. Merz.

The expedition started out not with any idea of rushing to the south pole, but with the intention of exploring and naming the unknown lands of the Antarctic and making numerous observations around the magnetic pole.

According to the wireless reports received from Dr. Mawson, the principal objects of the expedition were attained. Unfortunately Dr. Mawson and six of his companions, after they had been picked up by the Aurora undertook another expedition and were unable to rejoin the ship, which was compelled to leave them to spend another year in the Antarctic.

Banner Presented Cardinal Gibbons By Suffragists

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 25.—Cardinal Gibbons received the suffragist army of the Hudson in audience today and was presented with a "votes for women" flag by "General" Rosalie Jones, who also expressed the hope that the cardinal would join them in their fight for woman's rights.

The cardinal accepted the banner, but declined to commit himself as to the cause his callers advocated. He assured them that he felt honored by their visit and hoped they would not find the halls of the legislature as hard as the ground they had trodden on or the stones they had stumbled over on their long journey. He shook hands with each of the hikers and gave them his blessing upon their departure.

SIX MEN PICKED FOR CABINET POSITIONS

Definite Information Supposed to Be Had in Washington for the First Time. BRYAN SECRETARY OF STATE Choice of Commoner Said to Be Settled Beyond Question.

BURLESON ALSO SURE TO LAND No Men Yet Selected for War and Agriculture. FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT SOON Selection of A. Mitchell Palmer in Some Position Probable, but Wilson Would Like to Keep Him in House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Cabinet gossip took a decidedly active turn about the capital today. Democratic leaders professed for the first time to speak with definiteness regarding the official family of President-to-be Wilson. It was evident that something more than speculation had come to the knowledge of those closely identified with the new administration, but the sources of this information were not disclosed.

It was said that the cabinet as a whole had been completed with the exception of a secretary of war and a secretary of agriculture. The choice of W. J. Bryan as secretary of state is looked upon as definitely settled. Another appointment spoken of as definite is that of Albert S. Burleson of Texas as postmaster general, although it was said Mr. Burleson might be shifted to the secretaryship of the interior before the personnel of the cabinet is announced.

Others believed to have been decided upon for cabinet portfolios are Josephus Daniels of North Carolina and William C. McAdoo of New York. Democrats believed to be in possession of accurate information from Trenton decline to indicate the portfolios to which Daniels and McAdoo might be assigned.

Two Losers in Race. Some of the information is of a negative character. It was asserted with considerable positiveness that neither Representative Robert L. Henry of Texas nor Edward R. Walker of New Jersey would be designated as attorney general. The selection of A. Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania as attorney general or in some other cabinet position was considered probable, but in some quarters it was said that Mr. Wilson was desirous of utilizing Mr. Palmer's services in the house of representatives.

Democratic leaders today declared that the cabinet formation had now reached a stage where formal announcement might be expected in a few days. Strength was added to the report of Mr. Burleson's selection as a member of the cabinet when, as chairman of the House democratic caucus he issued the following statement last today:

"When I call the democratic caucus to order on the fifth day of March I shall ask it too select my successor. I will not be a candidate to succeed myself. I have nothing to add to this statement."

It was Council Bluffs night at the automobile show last night, and the crowds that flocked into the Auditorium numbered thousands. Hundreds of Council Bluffs people interested in automobiles came for the special night dedicated to them, although in the vast jam throughout the evening one could not tell who were the Council Bluffs, who were the Omaha people and who were those from out of the state. The show was popular all day yesterday and last night. Hundreds visit the show mornings.

They are generally the men and women actually interested in buying cars. Mornings many farmers and others can be seen pricing cars and talking business earnestly with representatives of the various concerns. This is when the dealers and representatives have more time to give to the individual, and this is the time when many of those who are actually dealing for a car have chosen. There is no lack of sales afternoons and evenings, however, but in proportion to the crowds present, the greater number of sales are closed in the morning.

Bryan Blocks Deal to End Deadlock at Springfield, Ill.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—A telegram from William J. Bryan to Governor O'Connell, made public today, calling on the democrats of Illinois to sacrifice both senators rather than to accept the short term only, is believed by members of the legislature to have made impossible any termination of the deadlock through a Sherman-Lewis deal.

This is the message from Colonel Bryan: "Papers report the republicans demand the long term as the only condition on which they will co-operate. I think it would be a serious mistake to agree to that. The democrats are entitled to the long term. Better allow the regular republicans to combine with the progressives than that."

OPPOSE CAPITAL PENALTY BUT FOR ELECTROCUTION

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—In the committee of the whole this afternoon the house went on record as being opposed to capital punishment, and then turned around and recommended for passage a bill to electrocute condemned prisoners instead of hanging them.

Most every one talked for or against capital punishment, but the other bill went through with comment. ZIMMER OF LEXINGTON HEAD OF SOLDIERS' HOME (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Ferdinand Zimmer, a hotel man, at Lexington, has been appointed commandant at the Grand Island Soldiers Home to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E. C. Kille. Mr. Zimmer was a member of the Ninth Ohio regiment during the civil war.

TWO NEGROES LYNNED BY MOBS IN ONE COUNTY

MARSHALL, Tex., Feb. 25.—Two negroes were lynched in Harrison county last night. A negro named Anderson was hanged near Elysian Fields, and Robert Perry, charged with horse stealing, was shot to death near Karnack.

TWENTY-FIVE FT. OMAHA SIGNALMEN TO GALVESTON

Major Hartman of Fort Omaha received a message yesterday ordering that twenty-five men from the signal corps be sent at once to Galveston, Tex. Ten men left here under command of Major Gregg.

A Greek Bearing Gifts



From the New York World.

GREAT CROWD AT AUTO SHOW

Council Bluffs Night and Many from that City in Attendance. MUCH INTEREST IN EXHIBITS Experts on Hand Explaining Merits of the Machines that Have Been Placed in the Exhibition.

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Governor Names Board of Control; Senate Will Act

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Private Secretary Mortensen found his way to the senate chamber this afternoon and delivered to the secretary of the senate a communication which he said was from "His Excellency, the Governor," who requested that the senate would set some hour for its consideration.

The communication contained the appointment and long-looked-for appointments for the Board of Control and is supposed to contain the names of Henry Greig of Falls City, Charles Kraft of West Point and C. H. Grege of Kearney. The three will receive consideration at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning in executive session.

The Atlantic & Southern railroad was sold at Harlan, Ia., yesterday by Receiver Harlan under orders issued by Judge Arthur thirty days ago. Leslie M. Shaw, who now has nearly \$25,000 of his own money and funds of personal friends invested in the road, sums paid out during the time he has been trying to finance the deal for taking over and consolidating the Atlantic and潼南 rivers, filed the highest bid, acting as attorney for one of the creditors. There were two other bids, both by creditors, and both of whom posted the 5 per cent certified check required by the terms of the sale. There was a check for \$2,000 with Shaw's bid, and Receiver Harlan accepted it for reference to Judge Arthur.

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ATLANTIC ROAD SOLD AGAIN

Shaw is High Bidder and Buys Railroad as Attorney for Purchaser. ONLY THREE BIDS NEXT RECEIVED Judge Arthur Sets Next Saturday as the Date for Confirming the Sale of the Railroad Property.

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MRS. SICKLES AGAIN COMES TO RESCUE OF AGED GENERAL

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Mrs. Caroline G. Sickles, who pawned her jewels several months ago to save the household effects of her husband, General Daniel E. Sickles, from going under the hammer, again may prevent the sheriff from selling him out. General Sickles' efforts were to have been sold at public auction March 7 to satisfy a judgment held by a bank, but Mrs. Sickles fled with the sheriff today a chattel mortgage covering all furniture in the general's Fifth avenue home. The mortgage is for \$125,000, was executed December 6, 1912, and was witnessed by General Sickles' lawyer, Sheriff Hamburger will hold a hearing on the claim Thursday afternoon.

DECISION HAS WIDE EFFECT

Original Railroad Grant of 400 Feet Extends from Omaha West. COMPANY TO RECEIVE RENTALS Attorney for the Union Pacific Says Will Hereafter Have to Be Paid to Company.

The decision of the United States supreme court, substantiating the claim of the Union Pacific to a right-of-way 400 feet wide practically from Omaha to the western boundary of Nevada, was the subject of much comment in the law department at Union Pacific headquarters. Attorney Edson Rich of the Union Pacific believes that the decision of the supreme court settling the right of the company to this land is likely to cause the cases in the state courts wherein the right of the company is being tested, to be dismissed.

Because the company fenced a strip less than 400 feet wide along its road and leased the land outside the fence to farmers and to municipalities, the question has arisen at many places as to whether the railroad company really had a right to the land. The United States supreme court has said the company has. The city of Greeley, Colo., has streets and buildings on the strip of ground which the supreme court says belongs to the Union Pacific railroad. The same conditions obtain practically all along the line wherever towns and cities have been built close to the road. Inland, where the road runs through the farms, the farmers have been farming part of the 200 feet on either side of the railroad, and have been paying rent to the Union Pacific for the lease of these strips.

Title in Question. In recent years many of these occupying these strips of ground in the cities and in the country have come to believe that the Union Pacific's claim to the strips could not be substantiated. Hence arose the dispute just settled by the supreme court.

Congress by an act of 1862 granted the Union Pacific a right-of-way from a point near the 100 meridian in Nebraska between the south margin of the valley of the Republican river and the north margin of the valley of the Platte, the strip of land to be 200 feet in width on either side of the track. This right-of-way was to extend to the western border of Nevada. A later section of the act provided for a right-of-way for the Union Pacific from the 100 meridian to Omaha. Thus, according to Mr. Rich, the decision of the supreme court does not effect only the strips from the 100 meridian to Denver as stated in the press dispatches, but he is inclined to believe the decision must necessarily affect the right-of-way of the Union Pacific from Omaha to the western coast of Nevada as provided by the act of congress giving the original grant.

"It will not make any material difference in the state," said Mr. Rich, when asked whether or not some of the cities that now had streets on the company's land would have to move streets and buildings. "Nothing will likely have to be moved, as they have continued to do so. The question had simply arisen as to whether the railroad company really owned this ground and whether those using it really had to pay the company for a lease on it."

GERMAN AVIATOR KILLED IN TWO-HUNDRED-FOOT FALL COLOGNE, Germany, Feb. 25.—Bruno Werntgen, an aviator, fell today from a height of 200 feet at Hangelar, near Bonn, and was killed.

MANY ARE FIGHTING TO PUT QUIETUS UPON HOWELL WATER BILL

Towns Near Omaha Send Men to Legislature to Attack Water Board Measure. PICK HOLES IN STRUCTURE Do Not Fail to See Big Salary Clause that is Attached. LOBBY WORK—HARD FOR IT Howell Misses Scarcely Day When Members Gather. DUST IN MEMBERS' EYES Arguments that Stock Yards Alone Object to Bill Are Shown to Be False by Pleading of Interested Persons.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The hearing on the Omaha district water bill last night has been considerably discussed today around the legislature. With the exception of Mike Lee all the house delegation from Douglas oppose the bill as it comes from the senate. Brusseff went to the committee meeting last night favoring the bill, but he has decided not to support it in its present form.

The legislators from out in the state side with Florence, South Omaha and the other towns which the bill permits Omaha to take in. Attorney Hailer said that the main street in Florence had been torn up for six months for a water main installed by the present Omaha water board. As he interprets the bill, permission is given the water board to dig up any street in any town in the district without asking odds of anyone. And he says there is no provision to make the water board repair the streets thus torn up.

The spokesman from Florence also objects to the property that will be relieved of paying taxes in that city. It was explained that under the bill these little towns should be taxed to keep up the Omaha water plant and they could not help themselves because, of course, Omaha would be able to outvote all of them combined.

Efforts Are Futile. The efforts of the defenders of the Omaha Water Board to make it appear that only the packing industries and the stock yards company of South Omaha oppose the bill, are not meeting with the success friends of the bill hoped for. F. B. Howell's talk to members in that the stock yards is trying to "junk" the Omaha water plant or that portion of it which lies in South Omaha, Florence and South Omaha insist that the water board is trying to "junk" these cities in the interest of the water board. Every body sees through it that he is trying to cinch his \$5,000 salary for the rest of his natural life.

According to some out-in-the-stain members, Omaha never answered to worse advantage than last night when represented by Mr. Howell, who is trying to put his protecting arms around the towns in the neighborhood of Omaha. It was made to appear last night that Mr. Howell had sanctioned the construction of a plant by the Stock Yards company and had passed on the ordinance under which the work was done.

Insofar as a lobby is concerned, there has been at no session as persistent a lobbyist as Mr. Howell. If he ever goes home or if he has been away from Lincoln since the session started, no one saw the dates, for he has not been missed here.

McKisack Denies. Chairman McKisack, who has been jumped on by the Water board lobby of Omaha, denies that he tried to take snap judgment on those favoring the Omaha water district bill last night. He notified the author of the bill of the hearing during the afternoon at the same time he notified the members of the committee, and he feels, as do the others, that it was the duty of the author of the bill to summons its friends if the measure had any, and not the chairman of the committee.

More Public Hearings. The bill by Anderson of Douglas to place the Omaha water works under the control of the city commission will be discussed before the committee on cities and towns of the house Thursday night. The Omaha district water bill will be discussed again Monday night. Chairman McKisack announced these meetings this afternoon.

A majority of the committee at this time is said to be in favor of the Anderson bill. DESCENDANT OF NELSON DIES, AGED NINETY YEARS LONDON, Feb. 25.—Horatio Nelson, the third Earl Nelson, a descendant of the celebrated English admiral, died today. He was born in 1823.

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