

BALLOON STRUCK BY LIGHTNING AND PILOT BADLY HURT

Carrier Pigeon Arrives at Portland
from Million Population Club
with Message of Disaster.

BERRY IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

George Y. Morrison, Passenger in St.
Louis Bag, Signs Announcing
Plight Caused by Storm.

WHERE DESCENT MADE UNTOLD

Officials of Oregon Metropolis at
Sea as to Where to Search.

SOME PLACE IN THE MOUNTAINS

It is Believed Wrecked Aircraft
Probably Came Down in Cas-
cade Mountains from
Human Habitation.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 12.—A carrier
pigeon arrived here at 1 p. m. with this
message from the balloon Million Popu-
lation club:
"Balloon struck by lightning. Berry
hurt. Come quick."

George Y. Morrison, his passenger,
signed the message.
The message did not say where the
balloon had descended to earth. The
Berry referred to is Captain John Berry
of St. Louis, who was piloting the bal-
loon. George Y. Morrison, his passenger,
signed the message.

Officials here are absolutely at sea as
to where to look for the wrecked balloon
and its injured pilot. It is presumed the
balloon came down somewhere in the
craggy Cascade mountains, probably
many miles from a habitation.

Lack of information regarding the
whereabouts of the Kansas City 111 and
Springfield, which left here late yester-
day in a race under the auspices of the
Aero Club of America, has caused some
apprehension for their safety. The fact
that the Uncle Sam was driven to earth
last night in a storm which wrecked it
and endangered the lives of its two oc-
cupants, led to a fear that the others
may have met with disasters.

The prevailing winds were toward the
southwest and it is possible the three big
sea bags successfully crossed the Cas-
cade range during the night. A thinly
settled plateau country would extend be-
fore the aeronauts once they got across
the Cascades. Each balloon carries a
pilot and one passenger.

A little white carrier pigeon, one of
three which the balloon carried, arrived
at its home here today wet and bedrag-
gled and with the hastily scrawled note
fastened to its leg.
The Million Population club was the
second balloon reported wrecked in the
terrible electrical storm which raged in
the mountains last night, the other be-
ing the Uncle Sam, whose pilot and pas-
senger escaped injury.

Anxiety for the two balloons still un-
heard from increased with the report of
the Million Population club disaster.
The storm that night was general and
there is doubt if any of the balloons
escaped it. Every point for 200 miles
southeast of here is being requested to
send searching parties into the densely
forested mountains.

WILL NOT TALK POLITICS METCALFE IN WASHINGTON;

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 12.—(Special
Telegram.)—Richard Lee Metcalfe re-
turned to Washington today. Beyond
expressing the belief that his candidacy
for governor was in a political condition
pleasing to himself and his friends in Ne-
braska, he declined to be interviewed.
Mr. Metcalfe and his family spent the
day in getting settled in the residence on
M. Pleasant street which they have
leased for their stay in Washington.

SHARP NOMINATED FOR AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Representa-
tives William G. Sharp of Elvira, O., was
nominated today by President Wilson to
be ambassador to France, succeeding
Myron T. Herrick. Mr. Sharp is a dem-
ocrat.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Saturday:
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity
Unsettled; probably local showers; not
much change in temperature.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday.

Hour	Temp.
6 a. m.	65
7 a. m.	68
8 a. m.	70
9 a. m.	72
10 a. m.	75
11 a. m.	78
12 m.	79
1 p. m.	81
2 p. m.	82
3 p. m.	82
4 p. m.	84
5 p. m.	83
6 p. m.	82
7 p. m.	81
8 p. m.	80

Comparative Local Record.

1914	1913	1912	1911	1910
Highest yesterday	82	78	80	80
Lowest yesterday	58	52	50	50
Mean temperature	70	70	70	70
Precipitation	.08	.00	1.35	.00
Temperature and precipitation de- partures from the normal:				
Normal temperature	71	71	71	71
Excess for the day	11	7	9	9
Total excess since March 1	227	103	103	103
Normal precipitation	18	18	18	18
Excess for the day	10	10	10	10
Total rainfall since March 1	30.28	30.28	30.28	30.28
Deficiency since March 1	1.72	1.72	1.72	1.72
Excess for cor. period, 1911-1914	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61
Deficiency for cor. period, 1912-1914	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State Temp. High-Rain-
fall.

LORIMER'S BANK IS CLOSED

Examiner in Charge of La Salle
Trust and Savings Concern.

RUN BEGINS TWO DAYS AGO

State Official Goes Over Books and
Orders Doors Closed—Will In-
spect the Substituted
at Once.

CHICAGO, June 12.—The La Salle Street
Trust and Savings bank, organized by
William Lorimer five years ago, when
he was United States senator from Illi-
nois, and of which he has since been
president, was closed today by the state
bank examiner.

While rumors of the financial trouble
had been whispered of late, the actual
closing of the institution was a surprise.
Coincident with the closing of the La
Salle Street bank, state examiners were
sent to three state banks which had heavy
deposits with the larger institution. No
statement of what the closing of the
bank actually means in dollars was made
by the examiner. Recent reports to the
state auditor's office placed the depos-
its of the La Salle Street bank at more
than \$5,000,000.

A mild run started on the bank two
days ago, according to the secretary of
the La Salle Street Trust and Savings
bank, and today more and more depos-
itors gathered in front of the institution,
which is a few doors from the Board of
Trade building in La Salle street.

William Lorimer, president of the bank,
was in conference with the directors of
the institution through the morning.
In the last statement issued by the
bank its capital stock was placed at \$1,000,-
000, with a surplus of \$300,000 and undivided
profits of \$30,000. Its stock was then held
at \$50.

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Man Who Sends Black Hand Letter Caught in Trap

NEW YORK, June 12.—While arrange-
ments were being made today for extradi-
tion to this city of Henry Westcott, the
young negro, arrested last night near
Bogota, N. J., charged with attempting to
obtain \$10,000 under threats of blowing up
a Cunard steamer with dynamite, city de-
tectives continued their investigations in
the belief that Westcott or Joseph Bur-
ton, as he later admitted his name to be,
had the aid of one or more confederates.
Burton is in jail at Hackensack, N. J., but
it was believed today that he would
waive extradition and be brought back
to this city for arraignment. To the New
York detectives and secret service men
of the West Shore railroad Burton is
said to have confessed the authorship of
the letters, in which arrangements were
made for the payment of the \$10,000 de-
manded as immunity for a Cunard line
steamer, which, the writer declared, would
be blown up at sea by placing dynamite
in the coal.

In carrying out these instructions, the
detectives staged a spectacular drama,
following in detail every injunction, spec-
tacularly by the would-be wrecker. Burton,
the detectives allege, carried out the
part assigned to the collector of the \$10,-
000 by blowing a police whistle as a signal
for the agent of the Cunard line to drop
a package of money from the rear plat-
form of a West Shore train.
Detectives stationed on a special train
following seized Burton, they say, as
he picked up the decoy package.

Canal Tolls Repeal Bill Passed by House and Sent to Wilson

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Without the
formality of a conference the house today
by a vote of 216 to 71 accepted the sen-
ate amendment to the repeal of the
Panama toll exemption and sent the bill
to President Wilson.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY AFTER CANTALOUPE TRUST

CHICAGO, June 12.—The Federal grand
jury today began an investigation into
the alleged combination of commission
merchants throughout the country to con-
trol prices of fruits and vegetables.
Criminal prosecution is sought by Dis-
trict Attorney Wilkinson. Witnesses in-
cluded Chicago commission merchants
and testimony is said to have concerned
the operations of the Western Cantaloupe
exchange through two boards of control,
one here and one in Brawley, Cal. It is
said the attorney general has directed
grand jury investigations in New York,
Pittsburgh, Kansas City and Denver as
well as Chicago.

GREECE SENDS PORTE WARNING

Vigorous Note Sent to Sultan De-
manding Cessation of Prosecu-
tion of Greeks in Turkey.

REPARATION IS ALSO SOUGHT

Public Opinion in Athens Excited
and Pressure on Govern-
ment to Act at Once.

TENSION NEAR BREAKING POINT

Premier to Deputies Says Situation
Cannot Last Much Longer.

TURKS BEGIN ATTACK ON CITY

Assault Commenced on Aivalik, In-
habited by Twenty-Five Thou-
sand Greeks, and Massacre
is Feared.

ATHENS, Greece, June 12.—The Greek
government today sent a vigorous note to
Turkey, demanding the cessation of the
persecution of the Greeks in Turkey and
the repair of damage caused to them and
their interests.

A warning to Turkey, which fell short
of a formal declaration of hostilities,
was uttered today by Premier Venizelos
of Greece in the Chamber of Deputies.
He was speaking on the treatment of
Greek subjects in Turkey.

Public opinion in the Greek capital is
greatly excited and demands are made
that the government take immediate ac-
tion.
The premier's attitude showed that the
tension between Greece and Turkey was
near the breaking point and that the dan-
ger of war was imminent.

M. Venizelos obviously found it difficult
to restrain his language when he spoke
of the way in which the Turks had
treated his fellow countrymen.
"I do not wish to allow to escape my
words which cannot be recalled, but I
must fall in my duty if I did not in-
form the Chamber of Deputies that the
situation has become grave—even very
grave," he said. "If a stop is not put
to these conditions, the Hellenic govern-
ment is forced not to content itself with
joining in the lamentations of unhappy
refugees."

Prolonged cheers greeted the premier,
who added that thousands of Greek re-
fugees had already reached the home land
from Turkey, while thousands more were
only awaiting transportation "to escape
from their persecutors."

Such a situation, he concluded, could
not be borne much longer.
"A Greek attack on Aivalik,"

LONDON, June 12.—An official dis-
patch from Mitylene, an island off the
coast of Asia Minor, says that Turkish
regulars with machine guns and a force
of Bashibazouks today commenced an
attack on the town of Aivalik on the
coast of the mainland. As the town is
inhabited by 25,000 Greeks, a massacre is
feared.

The threat of another Greco-Turkish
war did not come as a surprise to diplo-
mats here today. It was pointed out that
events in the near east during recent
months had been kindling the strongest
animosities between the two peoples.
Greece accuses Turkey of the whole-
sided expulsion with great cruelties of
Greek Christians from the province of
Thrace, while Turkey accuses Greece of
oppressing former Turkish subjects in
the region of Saloniki, which was taken
by the Greeks in the recent Balkan war.

A conference between the Russian and
Rumanian ministers has been planned
to take place at Bucharest, Rumania,
next week to endeavor to prevent the
breaking out of war.
A general meeting of the Islamic so-
ciety was held in London on Wednesday
to protest against "the systematic ex-
termination of the Moslem population of
the Balkans, pursued by various states,
especially Greece."

Hundred Thousand Refugees.
The premier characterized the Turkish
persecutions of Greeks as being "of a
character such as history had never
known until today, their object being
the elimination of populations which had
been living in those places for several thou-
sand years."
M. Venizelos said the attention of Tur-
key had been repeatedly called to the
dangers likely to arise from these per-
secutions, but the Turkish government's
only reply was to attribute the move-
ment to vengeance for the alleged suf-
ferings of the Mussulman population in
Macedonia. He estimated the number of
Greek refugees who already had arrived
in Greece or were awaiting transporta-
tion at about 100,000, all of whom, he
declared, were abandoning their entire
possessions in order to escape persecution.

Notorious French Duelist Wounded

PARIS, June 12.—Leon Daudet, a no-
torious duelist, was wounded in the fore-
arm in a sword duel today at Neuilly by
Jacques Roujon, son of Henry Roujon,
the late secretary of the Academy of Fine
Arts.
Roujon was the challenger and fought
in defense of the name of his father,
whose memory he considered to have been
injured by articles which appeared in
Daudet's paper, the Action Francaise, a
royalist organ.
The encounter took place in private.
Only the principals and seconds were
present.

The National Capital

Friday, June 12, 1914.
Senate.
Met at 11 a. m.
Resumption on the legislative ap-
propriation bill.
Senator Overman introduced a bill to
elect a statue to Sir Walter Raleigh at
Raleigh, N. C.
Senator Borah introduced a bill aimed
at efficiency systems, making it unlawful
to stop watches on government employ-
ees.
House.
Met at noon.
Panama tolls repeal bill received from
the senate and Representative Adamson
moved that the house concur in the Nor-
ris-Simmons compromise amendment.

REBELS GET AMMUNITION

Steamship Antilla Lands Cargo at
Tampico Thursday.

SENT NORTH ON SPECIAL TRAIN

Six Hundred Cases of Cartridges
and Ammunition Are Hur-
ried to the Front—Battle
Raging at Mazatlan.

TAMPICO, June 12.—(Via Laredo, Tex.,
June 12.)—The steamship Antilla from
New York today discharged her cargo of
ammunition for the constitutionalists.
Sixteen hundred cases of ammunition and
two aeroplanes were immediately dis-
patched north on a special train.
Until after its arrival at the wharf here
the Antilla knew nothing of the projected
blockade of the port or the presence of
the federal gunboats Zaragoza and Bravo
outside the harbor.

The Antilla will sail tomorrow for Tan-
toyuca to recover the body of Weston
Berwell, the American reported murdered
by federal April 22.

Battle Raging at Mazatlan.
MAZATLAN, Mexico, June 12.—(By
Wireless to San Diego, Cal., June 12.)—
The constitutionalist army under General
Obregon began today its first concen-
trated general assault on the federal
fortifications at Mazatlan, commanded
by General Rodriguez. The battle raged
all day, and although the beleaguered
garrison held its position, it lost heavily in
killed and wounded.

The first heavy rains of the wet season
began here today and will add to the
hardships of the combatants. The fed-
erals, who are short of supplies them-
selves and must in addition keep under
control and starving and hostile populace
within their lines, will suffer most from
this new burden. The besiegers have
plenty of provisions and, by reason of
their superior numbers, can keep the
garrison harassed night and day, between
assaults, while a part of their number
rest.

The rebel gunboat Tampico, it was
learned today, has been floated at Topo-
lobampo and if it can be brought south
to Mazatlan will greatly aid the attack-
ing force by covering with its artillery
fire their advances on positions they
have not dared attempt.

Club Women Criticize Lack of Drapery at Revels of Daphne

CHICAGO, June 12.—"The Revels of
Daphne," a Greek pageant in which fig-
ured many bare-shouldered, girlish clad
girls and several male dancers, in similar
classic freedom of garb, was a much dis-
cussed topic today by members of the
General Federation of Women's Clubs.

The pageant was given last night at the
Art institute. Aside from the attendants
and the male dancers, no men witnessed
the production.
While vitally all the club women
agreed as to the artistic beauty of the
spectacle, there was variance of opinion
on the propriety of the lack of drapery
of the dancers. Mrs. J. R. Gordon of
Pueblo, Colo., delegate-at-large, voiced
the disapproving opinions.

"It was wrong," it should not have been
allowed," she declared. "Women who
want reform in dress and morals should
not permit such things."
The dancers' classic costumes, Mrs.
Gordon declared, however, were modest
compared with some of the extreme fash-
ionable effects worn by delegates to the
federation who were among the specta-
tors.

Other guests gave unqualified praise to
the pageant.
Mrs. Herman Hall, one of the dance
committee, said that after a dress re-
hearsal it was suggested that the dancers
wear more drapery and that all but the youngest
girls wear stockings. These sugges-
tions were not put into effect, she says.
The dance represented the pursuit of
Daphne by Apollo.

Militants Attempt to Destroy Ancient Church Near London

LONDON, June 12.—A determined at-
tempt was made by militant suffragettes
this morning to burn the ancient church
of St. Margaret's, at Chipping, fourteen
miles southeast of London. Three dis-
tinct fires, fed by fire lighters composed
of squares of felt saturated with oil, were
set by the "arson squad."
The rector, Rev. William H. Stone, and
the villagers extinguished the flames be-
fore much damage had been done. The
church dates from the twelfth century.
Expressions of anger at the vandalism of
the militants were more vehement than
ever today among the general public,
which was roused to intense excitement
by yesterday's attempt to blow up the
historic coronation stone and chair in
Westminster Abbey.

The police are persisting in their harry-
ing tactics against the militant suffrag-
ettes, to whom they are determined not
to give any rest. Today they raided a
private house in Kensington where the
so-called "wild women" established their head-
quarters after their offices in Westminster
had been invaded and closed a few days
ago. Great quantities of papers were
seized by the police, but no arrests were
made.

HERO OF MANY LAKE STORMS IS FOUND DEAD

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., June 12.—Captain
Joseph A. Napier, who during his forty
years' career as sailor and master on the
Great Lakes saved sixty lives, was found
dead in his bed here today. He was 68
years old.
In 1881 Captain Napier alone rescued
thirty-two of the passengers and crew of
the schooner Merchant, which foundered
off Chicago. In 1877 congress voted him
a medal for his bravery in saving sev-
eral lives from the wreck of the steamer
D. G. Williams, off this port. In effecting
this rescue Captain Napier received an
injury to his spine, resulting in per-
manent disability.

BLACK HAND LETTER IS SENT COLONEL DODGE

DENVER, Colo., June 12.—Police are
guarding the home of Colonel D. C. Dodge,
a millionaire railroad builder, as a result
of a mysterious note found at the door
of his home late last night demanding
\$20,000 by midnight tonight. The note
threatens death unless the demand is met
and bears the signature, "Amateur Black-
hand."

THOMAS DOLAN VERY SICK AT HIS PHILADELPHIA HOME

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 12.—
Thomas Dolan, formerly president of the
United States Gas and Improvement
company and organizer of that body, and
now a member of the board of directors,
is seriously ill in this city and is ex-
pected to die at any time. The Omaha
Gas company is affiliated with the United
Gas company.

LEADERS OF THE WOMEN'S CLUBS—Three of the chief figures in the biennial convention of the General Fed- eration of Women's Clubs, now in session in Chicago. From left to right: Mrs. Eugene Reilly, Mrs. Rudolph Blankenberg and Mrs. Percy B. Pennybacker. Mrs. Pen- nybacker is president of the General Federation.



Italian Strikers Burn Wooden Bridge Across the Rubicon

ROME, June 12.—Movements of a revolu-
tionary character were reported today
throughout the four provinces of Bologna,
Ferrara, Ravenna and Forlì, forming
what is known as the Romagna.
Although a cessation of the general
strike which began on Monday has been
ordered by the labor organizations, the
workmen of extreme views in these dis-
tricts have refused to return to work.
The government today ordered a concen-
tration of troops, especially in the towns
of Forlì and Ravenna.
The only communication from Ravenna
reports the death of the chief of police
as a result of wounds received in the
course of a demonstration on Wednesday.
Serious encounters between the strikers
and troops are reported from Parma.
The wooden bridge across the Rubicon,
now known as the Piacentello, was
burned by strikers and railroad com-
munist cut.

Wesleyan Trustees and Alumni Clash

MITCHELL, S. D., June 12.—(Special.)—
Dr. Samuel Weir cannot be retained as a
member of the faculty of Dakota Wesley-
an was the ultimatum given the
alumni association yesterday by the uni-
versity board of directors. The statement
followed the presentation of resolutions
strongly commending Dr. Weir by the
alumni at their annual meeting.
"After careful consideration," said the
board, "it is deemed to be in the interest
of harmony and the highest good of the
institution that Dr. Weir be not re-elected
at this time."
No specific reason was assigned by the
directors for Dr. Weir's dismissal. Today
the alumni are meeting in further
session to consider the matter. A commit-
tee was appointed to draft further resolu-
tions to be presented to the board.

FISH TAKES JOSLYN'S PLACE BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, June 12.—(Special.)—
H. H. Fish, secretary of the Western
Newspaper Union, and Judge J. B.
Sullivan of Omaha appeared today
before a subcommittee of the house
judiciary committee to answer charges
of discrimination filed against the read-
print enterprise by a Kansas concern in
violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.
These charges have been the subject of
investigation not only at the hands of
the house committee on the judiciary,
but on the part of the attorney general.
The subcommittee investigating the
charges desired the attendance of George
A. Joslyn, president of the Western
Newspaper Union, but being too ill to
attend, Mr. Fish, the secretary of the
company, was asked to attend.

WESTINGHOUSE STRIKE SPREADS TO SIGNAL PLANT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 12.—The re-
fusal of the Westinghouse companies yester-
day to treat with their 10,000 striking
employees, was answered today, when the
Allegheny Congenial Industrial union
called out the 1,600 men in the plant of
the Union Switch and Signal company at
Swiswade.
The strike was scheduled for noon, and
a parade of East Pittsburgh strikers was
formed to encourage the movement. With
five bands, one of them made up of bag-
pipers, 5,000 men and women marched to
the Turtle Creek playgrounds for a meet-
ing before moving on to Swiswade.

TWO MEN KILLED BY LIGHTNING NEAR WHEELING

WHEELING, W. Va., June 12.—During
a severe electrical storm which swept
over this district last midnight, twenty
houses were destroyed at the Moundsville
camp grounds, a summer colony near
here, and two men were killed by light-
ning. The home of James Bodley at the
camp grounds was struck by lightning.
The high wind carried the flames to ad-
joining houses and twenty were consumed
before the flames were extinguished. The
inmates, men, women and children, fled in
their night clothes.

MEDIATORS WILL REFUSE TO DEAL WITH CARRANZA

Rebel Chieftain Must Declare Armi-
stice Before His Delegates Will
Be Officially Received.

A. B. C. DIPLOMATS STAND PAT

May Possibly Hear Arguments as to
Reasons Why Constitutionalists
Refuse to Cease Fighting.

DISTINCT STEP IN ADVANCE

All Parties to Conflict Now Recog-
nize Value of Mediation.

MAY MEET THE AMERICANS

Series of Informal Three-Cornered
Conferences May Result in
Agreement that Can Be Sub-
mitted to Mediators.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., June 12.—The
mediators will not officially admit to the
conference here the representatives Gen-
eral Carranza has announced he will send
to Niagara Falls. The South American
diplomats said they could not recede from
their original condition, demanding an
armistice.
The dispatch from Saitillo yesterday
stating that the Carranza note made no
mention of the conditions under which
he was sending delegates was shown to
the mediators. They declined to make
formal comment, but let it be known
that their attitude had undergone no
change. They reiterated that admission
of the constitutionalists is and will be
contingent upon declaration of an armistice.

The mediators will have no objection
if a conference could be held between
the Huerta delegates, the Carranza dele-
gates and the Americans. In fact, such
a suggestion has been under considera-
tion for some time, so that if an agree-
ment could be reached between these
parties at interest, the mediators would
finally admit all to the signing of a pro-
tocol.

May Present Arguments.
It is contended that the Carranza dele-
gates might be informally received here
and their arguments heard, but that an
armistice cannot be declared. On this
point there has been no crystallization of
sentiment and the influence of the Amer-
ican delegates to obtain at least a hear-
ing for the constitutionalists when they
come may be brought to bear on the sit-
uation.

The American delegates looked upon
the announcement from Saitillo as a dis-
tinctly encouraging sign, indicating
all sides now recognize the value of
mediation as a way of restoring peace.
It is not at all unlikely they will try to
persuade the mediators not to close the
door on the constitutionalist delegates.

On the other hand the need for con-
stitutionalist representation, in the view
of one of the mediators, is daily dimin-
ishing. He said the mediators from the
outset had taken the interests of the
constitutionalists fully into consideration.
Also the American delegates have kept
in touch with the wishes of the consti-
tutionalists through the Washington
government. Carranza delegates could
give valuable information and assistance
to the United States, upon which rests
the responsibility for bringing peace out
of the present chaos.

Carranza's Reply Forwarded.
WASHINGTON, June 12.—General Car-
ranza's reply to the Mexican mediators
announcing his intention of sending three
delegates to the Niagara conference was
received here early today and forwarded
to Niagara Falls.

No announcement of the contents of
Carranza's reply was made