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TWO AMERICANS ARE WOUNDED IN MEXICAN BATTLE

Mexicans Are Believed to Have Suffered Some Casualties; Scores of Shots Exchanged.

DETACHMENT OF TROOPS ARE RUSHED TO SCENE

Rifle Fire is Started From Mexican Side and American Guards Appealed for Help.

EL PASO, Tex., March 18.—(U. P.)—A battle between Mexican smugglers and United States soldiers and immigration authorities across the Rio Grande near here was quieted early today after a night of firing. Two Americans were wounded. The Mexicans are believed to have suffered some casualties. The battle, in which scores of shots were exchanged, started shortly after midnight when the American immigration guards surprised a group of Mexicans waiting on the river. It is believed the smugglers had liquor and drugs. The Mexicans opened fire, returning to their own side. A rifle fire started immediately from the Mexican side from the alder of the smugglers along the river. A detachment from the 45th Infantry was rushed to the scene from El Paso when the American guards appealed for assistance.

MAY BUILD ADDITION TO COUNTY HOSPITAL

An addition may be built to the county hospital if a proposition now before the county court is considered favorably. The court is now studying the question and following investigation may decide definitely to build it. It was revealed by the court this morning. At the present time the county hospital has no women patients and has no provision for the acceptance of them. Only men so far have been taken at the hospital and as a result the county is put to more or less expense in caring for indigent women of the county outside of the hospitals. Some of these cost as much as \$30 a month it is said. By the building of an addition to the county house for these women patients, a saving to the county can be made. Patients in need of surgical attention at the present time must be sent to some other hospital where there are operating room facilities and the cost of these operations together with room rent and food amount to considerable sum every year. In 1920 the county paid out the sum of \$2589 for operating expenses at various hospitals and this sum can be saved the county if an addition is built permitting the performing of operations at the county hospital.

PULLMAN RULE CAUSE OF RAILROAD WRECK

WALSBERG, Colo., March 18.—(U. P.)—A rule of the Pullman company which is said to permit their porters to sleep while on duty is held partially responsible by the coroner's jury for the death of five persons near here Tuesday when a sleeper on the Denver and Rio Grande train was burned. The jury decided the fire was of unknown origin but it could have been avoided had the porter of the car not been asleep.

3 HOURS GUN BATTLE ENDS IN MAN'S DEATH

CHICAGO, March 18.—(U. P.)—An unidentified man was killed and a detective wounded in a three-hour gun battle between a man and 50 policemen this morning.

THE WEATHER

Reported by Major Leo Moorhouse, weather observer. Maximum, 53. Minimum, 36. Barometer, 29.38.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Saturday occasional rain.

REPORT TAKEN BOLSHIEVIKI HAVE TAKEN MISTRESS OF KRONSTADT ARE CONFIRMED BY DISPATCHES

GENERAL FOCH HAS A SNEAKIN' DESIRE TO SEE THE ROUND-UP

General Foch, who has probably not had a real thrill since November 11, 1918, would like to see the Round-Up. This is the news from Spokane and they have it straight. Hearing some time ago that the general planned a trip to the United States the Spokane chamber of commerce took steps through an appropriate channel to invite the general to stop in their city while visiting America. The army officer still in Paris, put the invitation up to Foch and questioned him as to what he would like most to see in this country. The answer was that the allied commander hankered to meet up with some good cowboys and he had acquired this desire partly from startling pictures he had seen. As interpreted by Major Laird of the Spokane chamber the general has been bitten by the Round-Up bug. However, the chances of a visit of the famous Frenchman this year are remote as he still has some duties to attend to on the Rhine and thereabouts.

WILSON GOT \$42,500

NEW YORK, March 18.—(A. P.)—Johnny Wilson, middleweight champion, who retained his title in a 15-round bout with Mike O'Dowd here last night received \$42,500 as his share of the receipts.

IRISH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WILL BE SPLIT IN TWO

Summary Just Issued Indicates Difficulties Involved in Operating Partition Scheme.

DUBLIN, March 18.—(A. P.)—Immense difficulty is foreseen by unionist leaders in splitting into two parts the work of such important bodies as the Local Government Board and the Irish Department of National Education which will ensue from the division of Ireland for governmental purposes. An official summary of the Government of Ireland Act just issued gives an indication of the difficulties, complications and the vast amount of work that will be involved in operating the new home rule, or partition scheme. The summary says that the departments of the governments of Northern and Southern Ireland will be distinctly separated and that each of the new governments and parliaments will decide what their departments are to be. For every department now existing in Dublin it is expected that the Irish government will demand a counterpart. Thus Ireland probably will find itself confronted with a dual control of common services, such as the post office, says the Irish Times of Dublin, which regards the act with cynicism and misgivings, to transact business relating to postal or other matters through the medium of an official in Dublin, so it probably will demand the right to have in Belfast a post office official of equal standing to the one in Dublin. This duplication, the Times predicts, "may lead to a rather farcical situation."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS WILL BE DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, March 18.—(Raymond Clapper, U. P. Staff Correspondent.)—The president discussed with the senate and the foreign relations committee plans to revise the League of Nations, but no agreement as to the plan to be adopted has been reached. It is learned authoritatively. It is indicated that the question will be discussed in today's cabinet meeting also.

AUTOMOBILE CRASHES INTO STREET CAR; ONE WOMAN MEETS DEATH

SPOKANE, March 18.—(A. P.)—One woman was killed, another perhaps fatally injured and two other persons seriously hurt and two less seriously when an automobile, containing five women and three men, returning from a dance at a roadhouse crashed into a street car.

WHEAT CONTINUES TO DECREASE IN PRICE

The continued decrease in wheat prices was again noticeable today. March wheat closing at \$1.54 3/4 and May at \$1.45 1/2. Yesterday March wheat closed at \$1.57 and May at \$1.48. Following are the quotations received by Overbeck & Cooke, local brokers:

Table with columns: Wheat, Open, High, Low, Close. Rows for March and May.

SPENCER IS APPOINTED RECEIVER OF CANNERY

PORTLAND, March 18.—(A. P.)—Frank A. Spencer, wholesale merchant, has been appointed receiver for the A. Ripper company, Inc., a cannery concern, late yesterday. Heavy cuts in prices by California canneries were declared to be the cause of the company's difficulty.

CLARA WILL FILE SUIT FOR PORTION OF HAMON'S ESTATE

Attorneys Are Not Ready to Announce Exact Nature of Suit or Exact Amount Involved.

HAS NEW LEASE ON LIFE; FUTURE NOT DETERMINED

Has Offers to Go Into Movies, Write Books or Accept Hundreds of Marriage Proposals.

ADMORE, March 18.—(U. P.)—The scandal of the southwest has been aired. Clara Hamon today is a free woman. Clara, who for the last week has faced a trial for the murder of Jake Hamon, a millionaire republican national committeeman, was acquitted by the jury late yesterday on the second ballot after it had deliberated for 30 minutes. The immediate outcome of her acquittal will be a suit for a portion of the Hamon millions. Attorneys are not ready to announce the exact nature of the suit, or the sum involved. Clara today was not deterred just what to do as she starts out on a new lease in life. She has offers to go into the movies, or write books and magazine articles. "Of course, I can't say what I am going to do just yet," she said. "But I am not going to accept the hundred proposals of marriage that have poured in on me during my trial."

MOVIE CORPORATIONS OBJECT

LOS ANGELES, March 18.—Exploitation of the Clara Hamon case on the screen will be met by an organized opposition from the motion picture industry itself, according to an action taken by the Photo Playwrights' League of America and National Association film writers. The organization adopted the resolution she should not be featured on the screen at this time. "Right now when everybody is talking about cleaning up pictures is a poor time to permit the exploitation of such a case," declared Wolfe Hill, president of the league of independent producers.

WILL START LIFE ANEW

ARDMORE, March 18.—(City Clara Hamon, Copyright 1921, United Press)—"I start anew in life with the scarlet letter of shame branded on my breast, but I start out with the determination to show the world that an erring woman can come back. It has been said that the world never forgives a woman who makes one mistake in her life, that society will never take her back into its fold. If I believed that, the dirty stigma by the jury would not be so sweet to me, but would be as bitter as hemlock. I know the world will be sympathetic with me, believing I am a regenerate woman. I am going through life with my head up, knowing now that I can look every man and woman in the eye, unashamed. With this spirit I know I can and I have willed to win. I plan to leave for California with my mother and Pal Jimmie. There, under new skies and different surroundings I will map out my future, but I am coming back to Ardmore and the southwest as I want to be right here among the people I know and love."

IRISH RECOGNITION ASKED BY SPEAKER AT MEETING HERE

Frank J. Lonergan Pleads for Support of Ireland in Her Fight for Independence.

Pleading for recognition of the Irish republic by the people of the United States and asking for the support that country is entitled to receive, Frank J. Lonergan of Portland delivered an impassioned address on the Irish question to 300 persons gathered in the Eagle-Woodman hall last night.

GOOD MUSIC AND A SQUARE MEAL AWAIT

"Hello, is this 114?" "Yes, your honor." "Please put me down for a ticket for the dinner Tuesday evening."

CASHIER OF KELSO BANK DISAPPEARS FROM BOAT

KALAMA, Wash., March 18.—(A. P.)—F. L. Stewart, cashier of the state bank of Kelso, which was closed yesterday by the state banking board, disappeared from a ferryboat on the Columbia river last night.

SHADE GETS DECISION

PORTLAND, March 18.—(A. P.)—Dave Shade, of Oakland, won a ten-round decision over Frankie Murphy, of Denver, here last night.

CHAMPION IN A YEAR



Miss Helen Condon, 16, learned to swim last year. She's an Omaha (Neb.) girl. Now she holds the Nebraska state record for the 20, 40, 100 and 220-yard swims. Experts say she will be a contender in the Olympic games before many years.

LOGGER CONFESSES HE KILLED HIS UNCLE IN TEXAS, OCTOBER 1918

Blackman Said Matter Prayed on Mind; Wanted Trial to be Cleared; Shot in Self Defense

TACOMA, March 18.—(A. P.)—Claude W. Blackman, a logger working near Shelton, walked into the police station last night and announced that he killed his uncle, Bethel Blackman, in Wood county, Texas, in October, 1918. A telegram from Texas today verified the confession. Blackman said he jumped his bail, but the matter prayed on his mind and he wanted a trial to be cleared. He said he killed his uncle in self defense.

GOVERNOR OF NEVADA FAVORS ASPHYXIATION IN PLACE OF HANGING

Prisoners Condemned to Die Will Not Know Day When They Will Receive Sentence.

CARSON CITY, Nev., March 18.—(U. P.)—Governor Boyle is expected to sign a bill which passed both houses of the state legislature, under which asphyxiation of prisoners sentenced to die is substituted for hanging. Under the measure the men sentenced to die will not know the day on which they are to die. The condemned man will be placed in a special cell, equipped with a series of three gas conduits leading from other parts of the prison. While the condemned man sleeps or is unaware what is transpiring, three guards will turn the valves in the three gas pipes.

'SHADOW' SUSPECT BEING INVESTIGATED

SEATTLE, March 18.—(U. P.)—The prosecution of Herbert Johnstone, held in Los Angeles for an alleged attempt of blackmail on ex-Mayor George Mottman, of Olympia, will be handled by the state, the federal officials said. Johnstone is suspected of being "Shadow" who attempted to blackmail a number of wealthy Portland citizens recently.

WOMAN SHOT BY 17 YEAR OLD SON IN CRITICAL CONDITION

PORTLAND, March 18.—(U. P.)—Surgeons at the Good Samaritan hospital expected the death of Mrs. John Sorata, who was shot three times last night by her seventeen-year-old son when she attempted to force him to take a spoonful of medicine. The shooting occurred at the Sorata home in Oregon City, where the boy, Adam, is now in the county jail. He will be charged with first degree murder if the mother dies.

GRAY SQUIRRELS ARE ON CAPITOL GROUNDS

SALEM, Ore., March 18.—(U. P.)—Imported eastern gray squirrels, brought all the way from Harrisburg, Pa., are scampering over the beautiful grounds of the state capitol.

FLOOD DANGER IS CONSIDERED PAST

WILLAMETTE RIFLES RAPIDLY PORTLAND, March 18.—(A. P.)—The Willamette was at 14 5/10 feet of noon today, compared with 12 feet yesterday at the same time, and is forecasted to reach between 15 and 16 Saturday and remain stationary Sunday.

DAMAGE IN WASHINGTON

SPOKANE, March 18.—(A. P.)—Reports of rising water which threatened widespread damage have been received from northern Idaho and eastern Washington towns.

LABOR UNIONS PRESENT "BILL" TO LABOR BOARD

'Bill of Rights' Contain Principles Including 8 Hour Day and Proper Overtime Rates.

WOULD CONTINUE PRESENT MEANS OF ADJUSTMENT

Railroad Officials Questioned in Attempt to Prove Insincerity in Dealing With Unions

CHICAGO, March 18.—(A. P.)—The railroad labor unions have presented their "bill of rights" to the labor board, containing eleven principles, including the eight hour day, proper overtime rates and reasonable arrangement in working shifts. Frank P. Walsh questioned the high railroad officials in an attempt to prove the insincerity of the roads in dealing with the unions. Favor National Board.

WANDERER IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

RIVERS RAPIDLY RISING. TACOMA, March 18.—Rivers in the southwest part of Washington have risen six or eight feet since the storm began. They are still below the danger point.

HIDDEN IN BASEMENT CHINESE FEAR TONGS

SACRAMENTO, March 18.—(U. P.)—Fearful of their lives as the result of a long war in a half dozen California cities, more than 30 upper caste Chinese were found hidden in a small, 10-ventilated room in a Chinatown basement by city officials who were inspecting the building.

FEBRUARY PRICES DECREASE

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(U. P.)—Retail prices decreased 9 percent in February as compared with January, the department of labor has announced.

WALLA WALLA

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OTTAWA, Ontario

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