

ALL BUT DECLARES WAR

Secretary of War Calls Zelaya to Time—Gives Passports

CONGRESS TO SAY WAR

If It Thinks Best—President Taft Endorses the Stand Taken by Secretary Knox—Will Know Next Monday

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Secretary of State Knox late today returned the passports of Felipe Rodriguez, Charge d'Affaires of the Nicaragua legation, with a letter scathingly denouncing the Zelaya government of Nicaragua.

The letter is definitely declared to represent the views of President Taft and is about as plain spoken as anything emanating from the State Department in many years.

The extraordinary feature of the letter is that it seems to evince an intention on the part of the United States to hold President Zelaya personally responsible for the alleged torture and execution of the Americans Cannon and Groce, and exhibits the unique situation of one holding the chief executive of another as a common malefactor.

Zelaya is branded as a violator of solemn international conventions, a distributor of national peace and international peace, a tyrant, whose administration has been a blot upon the name of good government.

Secretary Knox virtually announces the recognition of the Nicaraguan revolutionists, declares it to be the conviction of the United States that the revolution represents the sentiments of a majority of the Nicaraguan people, and that there is evidently no responsible government with which the United States can deal.

He therefore announces that all parties will be held accountable for their actions as affecting the interests of Americans and the peace of Central America.

He further informs Senor Rodriguez that, while he has lost his diplomatic quality, he may still serve as an "unofficial" channel of communication with the faction which he is regarded as representing.

This brings the crisis as near to the status of war as it could be brought by executive action without a definite declaration of Congress, which will convene next Monday. Mr. Knox's letter in all but so many words makes it plain that the action represents the wish and attitude of all the Central American States with the single exception of Honduras, which is regarded here as entirely dominated by Zelaya. Mexico has its sympathy with the United States in this matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Every indication today goes to show that Uncle Sam intends to force a solution of the Nicaragua situation. The action of Secretary Knox discontinuing relations with the Zelaya government means an immediate movement looking toward a domination of the situation.

The order for the transport Prairie to sail this afternoon with 700 marines for Central American waters and orders from the Navy Department for the cruiser Albany and the

gunboat Yorktown, now at Magdalen Bay, to proceed to Corinto on the west coast of Nicaragua, means that this country has decided upon war measures if necessary.

The action of Secretary Knox is known to be with full approval of President Taft, and it is as near an open declaration of war as is possible under the circumstances.

A MASS MEETING HOT ENGLISHMEN

(Special to The Evening News.)

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The National Democratic League today issued a call for a great mass meeting, to be held in Trafalgar Square on Saturday where warfare on the House of Lords, following the rejection of the budget began.

The call for the meeting says: "The Lords have declared war against the people," and urges the people to destroy forever the "power for evil" now exercised by the Lords.

Parliament will be prorogued at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and if the plans are carried out that are contemplated the prorogation will dissolve parliament only until January 1, as it is considered unsafe to end the session irrevocably, as would be the case if it were not for the present crisis. The budget debate was resumed today in the House of Commons.

CAPTAIN AND BOAT ENDED BY GASOLINE

(Special to The Evening News.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—Capt. Peter Figari is dead and Capt. Neils Johnson narrowly escaped instant death when the explosion of a 50-gallon gasoline can sent a \$5000 launch, the "Nevada" to the bay's bottom. Capt. Figari was the only occupant of the launch, and was preparing to take passengers out to a ship on the bay when the engine became uncontrollable. Capt. Jesson was in a launch nearby. Figari called for help, and Jesson sprang aboard the Nevada. As he did this he heard the noise made by the back fire of a gasoline engine, and sprang back on board his own boat as the explosion occurred.

Capt. Figari went down with his vessel and his body has not been recovered.

WHITMAN COLLEGE TABOO MASS PLAY

(Special to The Evening News.)

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 2.—The Whitman College faculty has posted a notice to the effect that unless football rules are modified so as to eliminate mass plays, football will be abolished in that college. The injuries sustained by Light, a Whitman man, in the Thanksgiving game with the heavy W. S. C. team, is believed to be responsible for the action.

BORN

HOUSEHOLDER—To Mr. and Mrs. George W. Householder, near Greens, on December 1, 1909, a boy.

QUINN—In Roseburg, December 1, 1909, to the wife of C. E. Quinn, a daughter.

PRIZES ARE AWARDED

Annual Chrysanthemum Show Closes Tonight

JUDGES GET VERY BUSY

Many Varieties of the Notable Flower Are on Display—Are Viewed by Hundreds of Admirers—The Prizes Awarded

The annual chrysanthemum show given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will reach a close this evening after a very successful two day's session. Many varieties of the notable flower were on display, and were viewed by hundreds of admirers who pronounced them the best ever.

The judges, consisting of Messrs. W. R. Willis, F. M. Stanton and A. C. Marsters, awarded the prizes this morning as follows:

- White—Mrs. M. Ollivant, first; Mrs. Joseph Micelli, second.
 - Yellow—Mrs. Walter Hamilton, first and second.
 - Red—Mrs. Walter Hamilton, first; Mrs. Lindsey, second.
 - Pink—Mrs. Joseph Micelli, first; Mrs. M. Ollivant, second.
 - Lavender—Mrs. Walter Hamilton, first; Mrs. Joseph Micelli, second.
 - Green—Mrs. Walter Hamilton, first; Mrs. M. Ollivant, second.
 - Cream—Mrs. Joseph Micelli, first; Mrs. Walter Hamilton, second.
 - New Variety—Mrs. Walter Hamilton, first and second.
- Ostrich Plume
Lavender—Mrs. M. Ollivant, first; Mrs. Joseph Micelli, second.
White—Mrs. M. Ollivant, first; Mrs. Joseph Micelli, second.
Best Pot Grown (white)—Mrs. M. Ollivant, first and second.
Colored Pot Grown—Mrs. R. Torrell, first and second.
Best Bouquet—Mrs. M. Ollivant, first; Mrs. Dysinger, second.
Variety Bouquet—Mrs. Buell, first; Mrs. Kohlhagen, second.

DESERVED GOOD WISHES

For the Retiring Officials of Land Office and Prosecuting Attorney.

We note in a recent issue of The Roseburg Evening News a mention of a change in business by men well known here.

J. M. Lawrence, receiver at the Roseburg land office, will remove from that place to Bend, Oregon, after his successor is appointed some time early in December. He does not state his future intentions.

Benjamin L. Eddy, the register, and Geo. M. Brown, prosecuting Attorney for the district, have formed a partnership in the practice of law. Mr. Brown has held the office of prosecuting attorney for twelve years and is well known throughout the state. He has been prominently mentioned for United States Prosecuting Attorney, but has always declined the honor.

Mr. Eddy is well known throughout Douglas and adjoining counties, his work of Register of the land office bringing him in touch with hundreds of settlers in all parts of the district. In Coos Bay his name is a familiar one and his friends are numbered by his acquaintances.

During his residence at Tillamook Mr. Eddy was twice elected a mem-

ber of the Oregon Legislature, and during the session of 1903 caused to be passed the Corporation tax law, which measure has since returned the state a revenue exceeding \$100,000 per year. Eddy was the author of the bill, and through his efforts it passed both houses. The measure is similar to the corporation tax clause attached to the United States tariff bill. Mr. Eddy also promoted the organization of the Tillamook County Bank, of which concern he acted as director for several years. While Coos Bay people will regret to see Messrs. Lawrence and Eddy resign their positions in the land office and Mr. Brown his position as prosecuting attorney, all unite in wishing them success, wherever and whatever they may undertake.—Coos Bay Harbor.

\$101,000 BID FOR JEFFRIES FIGHT

(Special to The Evening News.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—It was announced this afternoon that the managers of Jeffries and Johnson had accepted the bid of E. M. Rickards, allied to Jack Gleason in staging the world championship fight. The proposition accepted was the first offered by Rickards, who named a guarantee purse of \$101,000 and two-thirds of the receipts derived from the moving pictures of the fight.

3,000 MINERS IDLE BECAUSE OF STRIKE

(Special to The Evening News.)

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 2.—The immense Boston-Montana mines of the Amalgamated Copper Co., closed today, as a result of the strike of the railroad switchmen, that has paralyzed trade throughout this section. Three thousand men are thrown out of employment because of this action of the mine owners.

SPRINGSTEAD ARRESTED

Charged With Selling Can of Adulterated Milk.

J. I. Springstead, who conducts a dairy a short distance south of the city, was arrested shortly after noon today charged with selling milk containing less than three and two-tenths butter-fat, contrary to the dairy and food laws of Oregon.

The complaint was issued at the request of W. E. Catterlin, deputy dairy and food inspector, who alleges that the said J. I. Springstead sold to J. K. Falbe, on December 1, a can of adulterated milk, said product containing less butterfat than required by law.

The above case is the first of its kind to be filed during the administration of the present district attorney, George M. Brown.

ORGAN FUND BENEFIT

The following program will be given at the Maccabee hall, Monday evening, December 6, under the auspices of the missionary society of the Presbyterian church, for the benefit of the new organ fund:

- Solo—Vocal—Mrs. Geo. Eber
 - Reading—Prof. Ray Henderson
 - Vocal Solo—Rev. J. E. Burkhardt
 - Plano Solo—Miss Merta Bales
 - Reading—Master Woodson Maddox
 - Vocal Solo—Who'll Bury my Lover?—Miss Harris
 - Song Tableau—Jesus Lover of My Soul—Four Young Ladies
 - Reading—For the honor of the woods—Miss May Page
 - Vocal Solo—Mrs. J. E. Burkhardt
- Everybody stay and enjoy a social hour after the program. Delicious home made candy and ice cream will be on sale. Don't fail to be there. The place, Maccabee hall, Monday evening, December 6, at 8 o'clock.

LOCAL NEWS.

The best box confectionery, "Lowney's" fresh at the Roseburg Book Store.

Mr. Johnson, of the Star theatre, is spending a few days at Portland. He is expected home this evening or tomorrow.

One lone drunk was taken in by the local officers this afternoon. He will be arraigned before City Recorder Orcutt tomorrow morning.

Last evening's session of the Baptist revival was especially enjoyed by all those present. The spiritual temperature was manifestly on the up grade and there was something of the old time atmosphere in the sermon and in the songs which was pleasing to all. Two were received for church membership. An evangelistic service was held at the Southern Pacific round house at noon today. Both the afternoon and evening sessions are full of interest and will repay your attendance.

FRUIT TREES FOR SALE.

Home grown, consisting of standard apples such as Newton Pippin, Spitzenberg and Ortly; on branched roots with scions from orchard of A. I. Mason, Hood River, Ore. Warranted true to name. Can also furnish any nursery stock desired from a reliable nursery. Write for prices to George W. Riddle, Riddle, Ore. tf

COMMITTEE ON LANDS

Where Friends Conservation Expect to Make Their Fight

AFRAID OF PIGEONHOLE

Where Bills are Often Put Safely Away to Slumber Forever Unless Fitzgerald's Amendment is Called to Deliverance

(Special to The Evening News.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—The friends of the policy of conservation of the natural resources of the country realize today their fight in Congress which convenes Monday, will be centered in the House committee on lands.

It is said the conservation measures are apt to slumber in the committee pigeonhole unless the Fitzgerald amendment to House rules can be operated to force the measure on.

Speaker Cannon and Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, who is chairman of the lands committee, are said to have an understanding. Mondell owns a great amount of Wyoming lands. It is asserted that Secretary Ballinger's recommendations for conservation legislation, for the most part, are unconstitutional.

COOL MURDERER IS HUNTED BY POSSES

(Special to The Evening News.)

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 2.—Armed posses are today searching for a man named Garry who killed Hamilton Proctor in a Little Lake store, and who now is a fugitive from justice in the great Mojave desert. According to the proprietor of the store Garry entered the place to

purchase a candle, and then grumbled because he believed five cents an exorbitant price. Proctor, who was standing near, said: "Give him his nickel, I'll take the candle."

Garry, it is alleged, then shot Proctor, who died three hours later. A reward of \$200 is offered for Garry.

U. S. VESSEL OF WAR FOR NICARAGUA

(Special to The Evening News.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—It is officially announced by the Navy Department today, that the gunboat Prairie has been ordered to sail from Philadelphia to Nicaragua this afternoon.

TAKING TESTIMONY ALASKA COAL CASE

(Special to The Evening News.)
SPOKANE, Dec. 2.—The Cunningham coal land hearing, which began in Seattle, was resumed in the Federal Court today. The session was devoted to the hearing of the testimony of the entrymen living in Spokane including A. B. Campbell, John A. Finch and Arthur D. Jones. The case is being tried before Commissioner Fred T. Bennett.

AT THE STAR "20 Minuets Before Train Time"

A Comedy Sketch by Castilman & Montgomery

PICTURES

"Hasty Tempered Father," "The Sheriff's Girl."

Illustrated Song by Miss Johnson.

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