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EARTHQUAKE KILLS MANY IN MEXICO

TERRIBLE SHOCK THROWS PEOPLE INTO SEVERE PANIC

Disturbance Thought at First to be Explosion of Powder Magazines by Plotters Against Madero--Triumphal Entry to City Forestalled.

New York, June 7.—Cables from this place and Mexico are detached. A report received by the Western Union Telegraph company reports from 55 to 75 killed in Mexico City quake.

Panic in Mexico City.
Mexico City, June 7.—The thousands of people who flocked here to participate in the demonstration of welcome for Madero upon his triumphal entry of Mexico City, were thrown into a panic this morning when a severe earthquake shock rocked the buildings here.

Soldiers Killed.
Three soldiers are reported to be crushed under the falling walls of the city barricades and it is said that almost every prisoner in Helen jail is injured more or less seriously.

As far as is known no one was killed in the city proper.

Damage Heavy.
It is feared that the damage here is heavy. The larger buildings suffered most. Wreckage is strewn about in awful confusion and the city waterworks mains have been broken. All electric wires are down and the city will be in darkness.

Loss of Life in South.
It is believed that the loss of life in the southern districts is heavy as it seems that the seismic shock was most severe there.

Madero's Plans Altered.
The earthquake which has brought

death and confusion to Mexico City has caused Madero to alter his plans. Today was the time set for his triumphal entry into this city. Wires are badly twisted and it is impossible to learn what his change of plans will be.

Thought Assassins.
The earthquake shock came just before daylight throwing the inmates of all the hotels and rooming houses of the city into a panic. It was at first believed that the shock was the explosion of powder magazines by plotters against the life of Madero. The long continuation of the shock dispelled that theory. Triumphal arches erected to Madero withstood the shock and are still standing.

Seismograph Broken.
Seattle, June 7.—The needle of the seismograph in the university of Washington was completely shaken off the recording sheet this morning by the violence of a quake supposed to be 3,000 miles south of here.

Registered in Washington, D. C.
Washington, D. C., June 7.—The severest earthquake shock ever recorded by the seismograph of the Georgetown university was registered here this morning between 6 and 7 o'clock. The maximum north to south movement lasted eight minutes and the maximum east to west disturbance was of ten minutes duration. The shock is estimated to have occurred 4,000 miles from Washington.

glenic—they are scientific demonstrations. "The hors d'oeuvres," the doctor continued, "stimulate the gustation of saliva and gastric and pancreatic mechanism and start the secretory juices. Olives clean the mouth. Soup has little nutrition value but is rich in gastric exciters. A free flow of juices is thus insured for the fish, a food rich in proteid. The entree, by name, appearance and taste, secures a flow of juice to digest the joint and game—true foods. The savory maintains the flow. Sweets and desserts, with their pleasant taste and attractive appearance, are taken after actual hunger has been appeased.

"And coffee is drunk at the conclusion because it produces hyperaemia of the gastric mucous membrane." Not a word was said about cigars.

Map of Yorktown Field.
New York, June 7.—Some interesting relics of George Washington were included in a collection placed on sale today at the Merwin-Clayton rooms. Probably the most important item on the list was a rare contemporary map of the field of Yorktown, said to have been engraved at the special request of General Washington. The map was designed by Sebastian Bauman, a military engineer of the continental army and engraved in Philadelphia in 1782. The map is dedicated to "His Excellency, Gen'l Washington, Commander-in-Chief of the United States of America."

Civil Service Commissions.
Madison, Wis., June 7.—The National Assembly of Civil Service Commissions, which is composed of the federal civil service commissioners and the civil service commissioner of several states and numerous cities, began its biennial meeting in this city today.

FIND VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF

MRS WEST IS AWARDED \$93.64 BY JURY IN \$2,000 SUIT.

Grand Jury Returns Three True Bills of Indictment, One Secret.

The grand jury today returned three true bills of indictment. One is against Peter Dukeritz charged with larceny of a dwelling and one against James Desmond for larceny. The third bill of indictment is still held secret.

Verdict in West Case.
The jury returned a verdict in the case of Maggie West vs. the Mutual Life Insurance company for the plaintiff, awarding her \$93.64. Mrs. West asked for the full face of the policy, \$2,000, which her husband held in the defendant company.

The case to follow the West case is that of Claude Ogilvie vs. Carl J. Stackland. The hearing was commenced this afternoon.

GARY SAYS MORGAN DID NOT MISUSE HIS POWER

Washington, June 7.—During the cross-examination of W. L. Gary of the steel trust today, it was indicated that a "money trust" seeking to control every American industry was developing. He was asked regarding the power and methods of J. Pierpont Morgan. He said that Morgan could have forced the sale of the Tennessee Coal & Iron company through his control of the banks which held the stock of the company as collateral.

"Does Morgan control most of the banks in New York?" asked Representative Littleton.

"I do not believe that to be true, but he owns several banks," replied

Food Situation in Rome.
Rome, June 7.—"Dear food" demonstrations are becoming very serious in Rome. Hardly a day passes without one or more of them and many are on a tremendous scale. They are also growing more violent. Clashes between the demonstrators and the police occur frequently and indications are that serious riots are likely to result soon. Conditions are more or less the same throughout Italy, but in Rome, where prices are at their highest, they are the worst.

It is a fact that, following a 40 per cent rise in the cost of living in the last five years, the recently inaugurated Italian jubilee celebration has sent prices in the capital up another 20 per cent. To meet these higher prices there has been an average increase in wages in the same five years of only 5 per cent.

At a recent mass meeting in protest against the present situation, resolutions were adopted attributing the difficulty to the parasitic life of the idle rich on the products of labor, to trusts, to protectionist food taxes and to the monopoly of vast areas of land by owners who refuse to permit its cultivation but insist on holding it merely for its increasing market value.

There is a growing conviction all over the country that, unless the government speedily remedies matters, it will not be long before there is a revolution in Italy.

Music Teachers of the Northwest.
Portland, Ore., June 7.—The third annual convention of the Northwest Music Teachers' association met in this city today with a large number of prominent musicians present from Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. The convention will be in session several days.

Gift of 6,000 Volumes.
Whatman College Walla Walla, June 7.—This college has just received a gift of the library of ex-Senator Dawes of Massachusetts. The collection contains some 6,000 volumes.

PROMISED TAFT NO SUPPORT

ROOSEVELT STOUTLY DENIES REPORT IN TELEGRAM.

It is Understood That He Will Support Republican However.

Washington, D. C., June 7.—Roosevelt today telegraphed a flat denial of the story which has been in circulation for a few days, that he would support Taft for the presidency in 1912.

It is positively stated here on the highest authority that Roosevelt did not pledge his support to Taft for renomination as was published.

It is said that while in Baltimore Taft and Roosevelt did not talk politics in any way.

It is officially denied also, that Secretary Myer brought assurance that Roosevelt would back Taft at the next national convention. It is understood that Roosevelt will support the republican nominee, however.

OLD SETTLER STRANGLES SELF WITH SMALL CORD

Peter Larm Ends Existence of Long Suffering at Early Hour This Morning At Daughter's Home.

The most peculiar case of suicide to be recorded in this section of the country is that of Peter Larm, an old settler and native of Sweden which occurred at an early hour this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Belle Huntley, 1521 S. aver

Peculiar.
The method of ending an existence of suffering by Mr. Larm was strangulation in a peculiar form. It is supposed that he suffered, became greater than he could endure so sometime early this morning he fastened one end of a light piece of rope to the foot rail of his bed and with the other end placed about his neck with a slip knot, the unfortunate man braced himself on his hands and knees on his bed and drew back, drawing the rope about his neck. It appeared that he held this position until death came by strangulation.

Was an Old Settler.
Mr. Larm had lived in this valley for over 20 years residing on a ranch at Ladd's canyon.

He was born in Sweden June 11, 1835. Shortly after his marriage in the old country Mr. Larm with his wife

\$20,000 Offered for Assassin.
Gonzales, Governor of Chihuahua, Receives a Warning Telegram.

El Paso, June 7.—Abrame Gonzales, whom Madero selected as governor of Chihuahua said that he had received a private telegram that \$20,000 had been offered to anyone who would kill him. Gonzales said he will go to Chihuahua and assume the office anyway. The Mexican consul at El Paso is making arrangements to transport Gonzales over the Southern Pacific railway.

Iowa Postmasters in Session.
Waterloo, Ia., June 7.—Postmasters of the leading cities of Iowa rounded up in force here today for the fifth annual convention of their state association. The president of the association is S. J. Robertson of Fort Dodge and the secretary, Frank Minnocks of Ottumwa. The Sunday closing of the postoffices is one of the chief subjects to be discussed at the meeting. The principal speaker will be P. V. De Graw, fourth assistant postmaster general. The sessions will continue until Friday.

Observe the Czarina's Birthday.
St. Petersburg, June 7.—The Empress's thirty-ninth birthday anniversary was observed as a general holiday throughout the empire today. The health of her imperial Majesty is officially stated to be better than for some time past.

At Alabama Polytechnic.
Auburn, Ala., June 7.—Commencement week at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute closed with the graduation exercises this morning. The address to the graduates was delivered by Hon. James Calvin Hemphill of Richmond, Va.

immigrated to the United States, locating in Kansas where he lived until he came to the Grande Ronde valley. Had he lived until next Sunday he would have reached his 76th birthday.

Has Lived With Son.
For the past two years Mr. Larm has lived with his son Carol in Wallowa. He had been suffering for a long time with some internal complaint and spent most of last winter in the local hospital where he was operated upon for his trouble last February.

After leaving the hospital he returned to Wallowa but was forced to return to LA Grande about three weeks ago to be under the care of his doctor.

Seven Children Survive.
The deceased is survived by four sons and three daughters. Two sons, Alex and John Larm reside at Ladd's canyon. Andrew Larm lives in Prineville and Carol, the son with whom he had resided for the past two years, is a resident of Wallowa. His daughters are Mrs. Evanston of Grants Pass, Mrs. John Alxa who lives in Kansas and Ms. Belle Huntley of LA Grande.

Wisconsin Medical Society.
Waukesha, Wis., June 7.—Several hundred of the leading physicians and surgeons of Wisconsin are attending the annual meeting of the State Medical society, which met in this city today for a three days' session. Dr. Byron M. Caples is presiding over the sessions. The annual address on medicine is to be delivered by Dr. R. C. Cabot of Boston and the address on surgery by Dr. Joel C. Goldthwait, also of Boston.

Dr. Elmer E. Brown the Speaker.
Washington, D. C., June 7.—A distinguished audience filled the Belasco Theater this morning at the commencement exercises of George Washington University. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Elmer E. Brown, United States commissioner of education and chancellor-elect of New York University.

Examination Denied Robert Taft.
Columbus, O., June 7.—A legal technicality may postpone for two years admission to the bar of Robert Taft, the son of President Taft, who expected to take his bar examination soon. Young Taft was unfamiliar with the rule requiring students to register when they begin their law studies.

Because of this failure the right of examination was denied him.

Leaders' Friends to Dine.
Washington, June 7.—Five hundred friends of union labor movement have been invited to a dinner to be held here June 14 to celebrate the reversal of the jail sentences against President Gompers, Secretary Frank Morrison and Vice President John Mitchell of the American Federation of Labor. Seventeen congressmen who are members of unions will attend.

\$100,000 FIRE IN PORTLAND APARTMENT HOUSES

Portland, Ore., June 7.—As a result of a disastrous fire here last night 50 persons are today homeless. The estimated damage to property is \$100,000. The Hanover apartment house was gutted and is a total loss. The loss of the Hanover house alone is \$60,000.

Three other apartment houses, the King Hill, Weaver and Wayne were all damaged.

The fire started in the basement of the Hanover house and is believed to have been started from the furnace.

DESPITE EARTHQUAKE, MADERO ENTERS MEXICO CITY

Mexico City, June 7.—Despite the earthquake and the ruins Madero entered Mexico City in triumph today. The streets were jammed with the shouting populace who loudly proclaimed him as the "next president" and "liberator."

Madero's entry into Mexico City was in sharp contrast to the entry into the

city 34 years ago of Diaz whom he deposed in six months of rebellion. He was guarded only by a small escort of guards. There was nothing martial about his entrance.

After the parade of the streets, through the triumphal arches erected to him, Madero retired to the home of his father on Berlin street.