

AMERICANS IN MEXICO FLEEING

USE BURROS, HAND-CARS AND BIKES TO ESCAPE

GENERAL UPRISING AGAINST AMERICANS IS FEARED

"Mexico for Mexicans" Is Slogan of Insurrectionists Who Are Bringing Uprising Against Americans—Orders to Send Troops to Border Ready to Be Signed by General Wood.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Alarming reports of the possibility of the anti-American uprising in Mexico, reached the state department today from the American consul and representatives should the United States troops invade Mexico. It is authoritatively stated that only this consideration prevents the Americans from crossing the border. There are 40,000 Americans in Mexico.

Slightest Hostility Sufficient.

The war department officials declare that 100,000 troops could be mobilized along the border within a week. All preparations are completed. Orders for the movement of the coast artillerymen and state militias are on General Woods' desk awaiting his signature, whenever necessary. It is admitted that a single hostile move against American interests would be sufficient to cause the order to be signed.

The movement of Mexican troops across the American soil to Juarez is held up today on account of the protest of Governor Colquitt of Texas, who feared that a battle on American soil would harm the Americans.

Secretary of State Knox is investigating the matter and it is unlikely the Mexican troops will be allowed to enter this country.

Troops Are Mobilizing.

Strict patrol of the Mexican frontier by the American troops will be put in active operation with the arrival of 400 infantrymen from Fort Whipple, Arizona, who today were ordered to proceed to El Paso to co-operate with the United States cavalry under Colonel Steever. An infantry battalion under Major Moore of the 15th will arrive at El Paso tomorrow.

Ammunition Given Out.

Mare Island, Cal., Feb. 10.—Rush orders have been received at the navy yards for the immediate distribution of 18,000 rounds of armor-piercing shells for five war vessels. The cruisers Cleveland and Denver, now here, will each receive 3,000 rounds. The cruiser Galveston at Bremerton will get the same. Orders were also received to rush the repairs on the cruisers Cleveland and Denver.

Hundreds Flee to El Paso.

El Paso, Feb. 10.—Hundreds of American refugees are pouring into this city from Mexico on hand cars, bicycles, and burros with stories of growing anti-American feeling throughout the state of Chihuahua. No trains are running.

Thirty-five American arrivals say the campaign slogan, "Mexico for Mexicans" is being inaugurated at Carrizos.

SHARP CONFLICT REPORTED

Hundred Men Killed in Conflict Waged on Horseshoe Hill.

Mexico City, Feb. 10.—Zapatista revolutionary troops are closing in on Mexico City, attempting to affect the capture of the capital today. They clashed with the federal army at the Horseshoe Hill, 50 miles south, but were defeated. A total of 100 men were killed. The engagement was extended and 3200 men were in the fight. 2,000 of them rebels, the biggest fight yet.

The rebels held the hill and were pushing toward the city when 1,200 federals attacked them and by deploy-

Yung Kwai, In Charge of Chinese Legation, and Family



Photo by American Press Association.

CHINA'S diplomatic representatives abroad are now, with the uncertainty as to the course of the revolution at home, in an extremely delicate situation. The Chinese minister at Washington has given up his post and has left the affairs of the legation in charge of Yung Kwai, the first secretary. Mr. Yung is a Yale graduate, with an American wife, who was Miss Mary Burnham of Springfield, Mass. He has become thoroughly Americanized in dress and habits of life and is a Christian. When a delegation of forty-seven Chinese students was sent to the United States by the home government several years ago, Mr. Yung was appointed to direct their studies and to arrange for their distribution among different institutions of learning. His father was formerly commissioner of education for the Chinese empire.

10 PERCENT DIVIDEND COMING TO DEPOSITORS IN DEFUNCT BANK

Depositors in the defunct Farmers' & Traders' National bank will receive a third dividend of 10 per cent within the next week or 10 days, according to a letter from the receiver of the institution at Washington, addressed to F. L. Meyers, cashier of the La Grande National, today. As soon as the comptroller of the currency checks over the

dividend checks, they will be mailed to the depositors, says the letter. The required process to realize cash on the checks will be made known to all depositors. While it is not promised there is, judging from the tone of the letter, a slight chance of another small and final dividend being issued. This will make a total of 65 per cent realized by depositors.

MEN AND RELIGION FORWARD SUPPORTERS TO INVADE LA GRANDE

Sunday will be a great day in La Grande. The Men and Religion Forward Movement which has met such a hearty reception in so many of the cities of the land will be launched. The enterprise is a great one. It is perhaps the best and greatest thing the church has ever attempted in this country. The best men of America have endorsed it. The leaders of it are men who are filled with a passion for men and boys. Their lives have been lived for welfare of men. The men who will address the people of La Grande tomorrow on this great movement are worthy of a hearing on any subject that deals with the welfare of men. The churches should all be filled to hear them.

This is the program for the day: In each of the churches the subject will be discussed in the morning by one of the visiting brethren. At 3 p. m. in the Baptist church there will be a meeting south, separated the rebels and attacked the left wing. This drove the rebels from their base and although they rallied they were finally compelled to retire.

meeting for men and boys only. This meeting will be addressed by Fred W. Witham, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

"The Biography of a Bowery Boy" will be the theme of an address at this hour by Bishop Paddock of the Episcopal diocese. This address is principally for boys and between the two men, the afternoon gathering should be of great interest to all.

At 7:30 p. m. there will be a union mass meeting at the Presbyterian church for all who will attend. The speakers will be Dr. Penrose and Mr. L. E. Meacham, vice chairman of the committee of one hundred. At the same hour there will be a meeting at Island City addressed by Scott Brainard.

PREMIER OPTIONIST DEAD.

Father of Local Option in Wallowa County Passes Away This Week.

(Enterprise News-Record.)

Alexander J. Murray, known as the father of local option in Wallowa

CHINA'S OPEN DOOR DEFENDED

GERMAN EXPLAINS EXCHANGE OF STATE LETTERS

PROTECTION OF MUTUAL INTERESTS CHIEF OBJECT

German Foreign Department Throws Light on Recent Interchange of the State Notes Between Knox and Germany—Neutrality in China to Be Preserved as Long as Possible.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The German foreign office today issued a statement to the United Press on the recent exchange of notes between the United States and Germany. These notes, seeking to protect the open door in China, are regarded as the most important step yet taken toward German-American diplomatic co-operation. The statement says in part:

"The scope and object of the American-German exchange of notes were to make it known that preservation of neutrality by the powers toward Chinese events, are necessary in the mutual interests of both countries. The Knox note contains valuable statements of promises made by different powers to abstain from intervention as long as possible and in case unexpected intervention is necessitated, to assure a mutual agreement before acting."

Japan Is Frustrated.

Shanghai, Feb. 9.—Concentration of Japanese troops along the northern border of China ceased suddenly today following the word of the exchange of notes between Germany and the United States relative to acting together to keep the Chinese open door, concerning possible intervention. It was learned that it had been Japan's idea to apparently grab some Chinese territory but the Germany-American stand blocks it.

county, died Thursday evening in his home on Alder Slope. He had been in critical health for some months. For about four years he had been confined to his home, following a stroke of paralysis.

The funeral was held Saturday forenoon in Alder church and the burial was in Alder cemetery. Rev. B. F. Meredith preached the funeral sermon.

Before the license question had become an issue in the county Mr. Murray, eight years ago, prepared the first petitions for the submission of the matter to the voters. He circulated the petitions, secured the requisite number of signatures and filed the documents. There was no public discussion and, in fact, the question apparently was receiving no consideration from the people. But when the votes were counted, it was found that no license had carried in nearly every precinct in the county.

Mr. Murray was born in Ireland 76 years ago. He moved to Canada where he lived for a number of years and where all but the two youngest children of his family were born. Twenty-five years ago he came to Oregon and had been a resident of Wallowa county ever since.

CLUB HEARS BUSINESS.

General Affairs Transacted by Commercial Club Directors.

General affairs were given attention by the Commercial club directors at their meeting last evening. A publicity committee was appointed and it will meet in the Geo. H. Currey real estate office next Monday evening. A membership committee was also named and it will comb the city for membership, the plan being to keep the club alive with widespread support rather than by heavy donations of a few.

General matters were gone over and discussed.

FOLK RETIRES FOR MR. CLARK

MISSOURI DELEGATION TO STAND SOLIDLY FOR SPEAKER

CLARK BECOMES MENACING TO HARMON AND WILSON

Believing His Own Chances Are Slight Folk Withdraws From Presidential Race and Gives His Support to Champ Clark—Delegation Will Back Speaker to the Last.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—Joseph Folk, ex-governor of Missouri, today withdrew from the presidential race when he agreed to vote the entire Missouri delegation for Speaker Champ Clark as long as Clark thinks he has a chance of winning the democratic presidential nomination. This admittedly places Clark in a position of being a serious opponent of Wilson and Harmon.

Folk and Clark have been fighting to secure the Missouri state convention endorsement, which is to meet at Joplin. They will support Folk only when it becomes apparent that Clark cannot win.

Folk this afternoon said that he believed Clark had the better chance of the two. With this added backing the friends of Clark are taking on new life.

NEW YORK IN ZERO'S CLAWS

WORST COLD IN MANY YEARS AT TORONTO.

Below Zero Weather Prevails in Many Big Cities Today.

New York, Feb. 10.—Zero weather has put its claw over New York state again today. The mercury dropped 28 degrees in 12 hours at Buffalo, and it with 13 below zero there, at Oswego eight below, at Erie, Penn., 10 below at Hamilton, Ont., 20 below, at Saulte Sainte Marie, Mich., 32 below, at Lansing, Mich., 24 below and at Toronto 34 below.

Coldest in Many Years.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 10.—This was the coldest morning here since 1905. The temperature fluctuated from 12 to 34 below.

Canadian Frozen to Death.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 10.—Reports say that several persons were frozen to death in the remote parts of Ontario. The temperature is 20 below the coldest it has been in 15 years.

STEAMER STRIKES ROCKS.

Point Arena Rocks Bore Hole in Ship Passengers in a Panic.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—With 25 passengers aboard, the steamer Fort Bragg this morning struck rocks at Point Arena as she hugged the coast in a heavy fog. She stove a big hole in her side.

Passengers, thinking the ship was sinking, fled to the decks wildly. A rover to the San Francisco tug Sea Rover rushed aid and towed her into port. It is not ascertained how badly she is damaged.

PROJECT WORKMEN KILLED.

Five Meet Death, Say Reports From Wyoming Dam.

Denver, Feb. 10.—Five workmen were killed as the result of a dynamite explosion at Pathfinder Dam, a project near Caspar, Wyoming, according to word received today by reclamation project officials.

SHEEP STEALING AIRED IN COURT

CIRCUIT COURT GRAND JURY RETURNS 3 TRUE BILLS

MANY ELGIN PEOPLE INTERESTED IN PRESENT TRIAL

Several Given Penitentiary Sentences This Morning—Grand Jury Excused After Returning Eight True Bills—Present Proceedings Involve Alleged Sheep Rustling.

Sheep rustling, if such a term is good English, defines what holds the attention of circuit court this afternoon, the case being a criminal one in which Norman Swikert is defendant and D. L. Johnson complaining witness. Very deliberately and painstakingly the state's attorney, F. S. Ivanhoe, and assistant, C. E. Cochran, and Turner Oliver for the defense, selected the 12 men who are to try Swikert. The entire forenoon was given over to this and the luncheon hour was striking as the last man was accepted.

The litigation involves the charges preferred by the state that Swikert Johnson, at a range on Proctor Meadows 25 miles from Elgin. Elgin people predominated in the audience present this afternoon when the first witness was called, and indications pointed to a heated and carefully tried proceeding.

Grand Jury Excused.

Returning three more true bills, the grand jury today completed its present deliberations with a total batch of eight true bills. Of the last three, two are secret but one of them is entitled State vs. Arthur Herby, accused of larceny in a store. He will plead on Monday.

Penitentiary Terms Given.

This morning at 9 o'clock penitentiary sentences were pronounced by Judge Knowles on several.

George Evans, the young man who stole wheat from Mr. Glenn received from two to five years in the state "institution." Frank Smith, who was connected with Evans, according to confessions made, was given from two to five years.

Jess Drowley, the man pleading guilty of bogus check work, drew from one to five years.

Thomas Scott, guilty of larceny, from a dwelling, received a sentence of from one to seven years.

Clark Case Status Quo.

The perjury charges against Roy Clark, brought in connection with alleged false swearing in connection with the issuance of a marriage license to W. R. Workman some time ago, is still hanging fire. The indictment was resubmitted and though Clark is still under indictment, there has been no formal plea heard.

West Wins Action.

Roscoe West secured a verdict in his favor against Duncan MacDonald in the sum of \$528.10, an amount said to be due for digging a well.

EXPECT WORLD SOON.

Fifteen States Meet to Consider Campaign—Answer Expected.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10.—Positive announcement from Theodore Roosevelt regarding his candidacy for the presidential nomination, is expected to follow a meeting here today of Roosevelt adherents, representing 15 states. The meeting is under the auspices of the National Roosevelt committee.

HIG MERGER PREDICTED.

Wells-Fargo and U. S. Express Companies May Consolidate Soon.

New York, Feb. 10.—A merger of the Wells-Fargo and United States Express companies is believed almost certain in financial circles.

The Harriman interests, which already control the Wells-Fargo, have also succeeded in electing four of the seven directors of the rival company.