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INTERVENTION IS ALMOST CERTAIN BY PROTECTION GIVEN TO DIAZ BY AMERICA

Washington, Oct. 28.—Intervention in Mexico seems today to be nearly inevitable. Government officials in closest touch with the administration admit as much openly. Felix Diaz is a prisoner today on board the steamship Wheeling in Vera Cruz, has appealed for American protection and this can't be denied. He owned up to Consul Canada at Vera Cruz that his life is in danger and it would have been inhuman to refuse him admission to American consulates and ships. He was first admitted to the consulate, but didn't consider himself safe even there and wash rushed to a vessel.

That the incident has given a complicated tone to the situation isn't denied. It is thought likely that Diaz and his two Mexican companions will be taken to neutral ports and made safe. It is expected that Huerta will demand Diaz' surrender but it will be refused. An American correspondent is still held a prisoner on board the Wheeling.

ACCIDENT PROVES FATAL

Clarence Matthews, Formerly of This City Meets Tragic Death.

Clarence Matthews, aged 26, died at Sandpoint, Idaho, yesterday after sustaining injuries in a railroad accident, and the remains were brought to La Grande today for burial, the date of which is pending the arrival of a sister, Mrs. Jack Hildebrandt, from Baker county. Mrs. Julia Matthews, a resident on O'street, of this city, was called to Sandpoint by the illness of her son but her son died before she reached there and she met the remains en route home. A sister, Mrs. Chester Knowles of La Grande and Arthur, of Spokane, with the mother, survive. A wife and a child of the deceased, survive. Mr. Matthews was well known in La Grande and his relations have the sympathy of a large circle.

Bartholomew Going Away.

Ray Bartholomew, who for years has been in the employ of the Blue Mountain Creamery company, leaves this evening for The Dalles, where he will accept the management of a creamery firm in that city.

TROUBLE ON ICY STREETS.

Sudden Drop in Temperature This Morning Makes Streets Icy.

Winter troubles with slippery streets commenced this morning when one of the city delivery teams fell at the corner of Fourth and Adams. The streets had been sprinkled during the night and a sudden drop of temperature caused the water to freeze so that the streets were like ice before

X-Ray Locates Point Of Needle Fast In Youngster's Knee

To fall upon an upright needle and have the sharp point penetrate the knee, and then broken off leaving a goodly portion fast in the cartilage of the knee, was the fate of Harold Bramwell, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester H. Bramwell this morning. The youngster was playing at the family home, 1307 Y, and in jumping off a couch, struck his knee on a needle sticking in the carpet.

He was rushed to the hospital and the broken needle point was removed after its location by the Grande Ronde hospital X-ray. Dr. J. P. Graham performed the operation and this afternoon the little fellow is apparently recovering.

LUMBERMAKERS OPPOSE RATES

EASTERN OREGON LUMBERMEN SEND LETTERS

Plummer Gateway Rate Matter Remonstrated Against Locally.

Pine manufacturers of eastern Oregon met in La Grande today to draft resolutions of remonstrance against the withdrawal of through lumber rates via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul via Plummer, Idaho, effective October 31. There were a majority of the big mills men represented and others came by proxy, making a through representation of the eastern Oregon division of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association, which includes all the big white pine mills of four northwestern states. Among the big lumbermen here, who met at the Commercial club, were:

George Stoddard, T. H. Goodhue, Leon Stoddard, J. F. Ravenscroft, all of La Grande, Joe Stoddard and F. H. Atkinson of Baker, were among those in attendance.

The Commercial club of La Grande immediately took up the cry of remonstrances too, and tonight night letters in great numbers and worded clearly and with power, will go forward to the interstate commerce commission at Washington from the mill owners of eastern Oregon.

The sun got its work in. There were similar troubles in various parts of the city where the street sprinkler had been used.

1914 TAX LEVY WILL PROBABLY REACH 20 MILLS

SUCH A LEVY WOULD HOWEVER LEAVE A DEBT-RETIRING AMOUNT.

BUDGET IS ONLY TENTATIVE

City Accountant Prepares Preliminary Draft of What Income and Expenditures for City Will Be During the Next Year—New Assessment Gives New Possibilities.

That the city levy will run close to the limit of 20 mills if not fully the limit, has become evident from preliminary research into the probable expenditures to be made by the city next year and the possible incomes from all sources. Such a levy however would leave approximately \$30,000 with which to retire outstanding indebtedness, or in case the city issues bonds to retire all outstanding indebtedness—as many maintain is the only and best solution—it would reduce the amount of the bonds so necessary. There has been nothing finally done in the matter, but City Accountant N. J. Mansager has prepared a tentative draft which will be used by the council in establishing the final levy. This preliminary budget calls for revenues of about \$100,000, specifically \$99,700, and for expenditures in 1914 of about \$70,000. The revenues mentioned above are based on prospective levy of 18.5 mills exclusive of library and park fund levies. The sum of \$2,500 needed for the library can be raised by about 4-5 of a mill, in view of the increased tax levy and the \$1,500 for the park proportionately less.

The Prospective Figures. Here are the figures that have been tentatively drawn up upon which to work out the final levy:

Expenditure Budget. Police department including poundmaster \$ 6,000 Water department and for prospective extensions ... 12,000 Fire department, including new hose needed 5,000 Street department 6,000 Lighting city 8,000 Engineering office 2,500 Interest on city bonds 14,000 Interest on city warrants ... 6,000 Officers' salaries 6,000 Office supplies 1,000 Miscellaneous, coal, janitor, etc. 3,000

Total approximate \$ 70,000

Probable Revenues. Water department \$ 25,000 Licenses 14,000 Fines 2,000 18.5 mill levy 58,200 Miscellaneous receipts 500

Total approximate \$100,000

Balance to retire debt during 1914 \$ 30,000 In the event that the city did not vote to issue the \$100,000 or \$75,000 in bonds to retire all general fund debt, it might, it is pointed out, legally issue time warrants under the new charter and in face of the new assessed valuation, up to a sum of \$2,000 \$40,000 which added to the \$30,000 worth of general fund warrants will place the city much nearer a cash basis than now.

As noted however, this whole tentative budget is not final in the entire

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Margaret Anglin Prepares to Star In Shakespearean Plays



MARGARET ANGLIN has won a foremost place on the American stage as a gifted and versatile artist. Among the more notable theatrical enterprises that will invite attention the coming season will be Miss Anglin's revivals of Shakespeare's "As You Like It," "The Taming of the Shrew," "Twelfth Night" and "Antony and Cleopatra." On Sept. 4, preparatory to the beginning of her regular touring season in San Francisco, Miss Anglin will play the "Electra" of Sophocles in the Greek theater at the University of California, where two years ago she presented the "Antigone" which attracted country wide favorable critical comment and placed Miss Anglin in the very forefront of America's emotional actresses of classic roles.

ANGRY SPANIARDS CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN GROSSLY INSULTED AND MISUSED AT HUNTINGTON

Ed Hannan, Huntington's marshal, who won considerable publicity recently on account of the clean up episode fattered by Governor West, is likely to become the subject of national and international notoriety through an incident that happened in Huntington involving several men of prominence and aristocratic connections. It may be more than notoriety. It possibly may mean the loss of his police star and more, for some evil genius or some undying Nemesis put him in the path of men to whom money is no object and to whom honor and a fair name are all. Hannan is said by the victims to have erred grievously against and the wheels of diplomacy have been put in motion to avenge the "insult" heaped upon them. Such information was brought to La Grande last night.

The Martinez Bros., A. S. Malca and S. Osiel, all from Havana, Cuba, and of pure Castilian blood, backed by big tobacco plantations and connections with men of prominence all over the United States and in Europe, were sitting in a restaurant in Huntington enjoying their evening repast a day or two ago. As is customary among Spanish people, they had some liquid refreshments and were in all respects obeying the law of the land, they say, though talking excitedly as is characteristic of the Latin races. Marshal Hannan stepped into the restaurant, accompanied by four men and

upon the complaint of the Chinaman, at the point of a gun forced these men to hold up their hands, and subjected them to a search. They had in the neighborhood of \$375 on their persons, were exceedingly well dressed and had in their possession a great quantity of Havana cigars. Their protests were of no avail. Handcuffs were clapped on their wrists and they were then marched to the dingy city jail. Here they remained from 8 p. m. until 12:30 the next day it is said, without food or without a hearing. The entire party had been registered at the best hotel in Huntington and it was only through the efforts of the hotel proprietor and the assistance of a prominent fellow lodgerman that they obtained a hearing at the city recorder's office. Here according to the statement of S. Osiel, who arrived in La Grande last night, the marshal could accuse them neither of drunkenness nor of any breach of the peace. "As a matter of fact," said he, "they had no complaint at all save the one that we were talking loud and excitedly in the restaurant, and this is a Spanish custom. I never had anything happen to me like that before, and from all appearances the four 'ruffians' that accompanied the marshal, must have been under the influence of liquor.

"To have a gun pointed at me as

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WOMEN CLUBS SUPPORT BILL FOR STATE 'U'.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB ISSUES APPEAL FOR VOTES IN FAVOR OF SCHOOLS.

HISTORY CLEARLY RECITED

Neighborhood Club Digs Into History of the Case and Is Confident the Measure Needs Support—Consolidation Scheme Held to Be Impracticable Step to Take.

Women's clubs of La Grande have, through a voicing committee, expressed themselves flat-footedly on the university referendum which comes up for a vote next Tuesday at the polls of Oregon. Mrs. J. T. Williamson, Mrs. A. T. Hill and Mrs. E. E. Kiddle, representing the Neighborhood club of La Grande, today gave out the following communication on the much-mooted topic in relation to the referendum election next Tuesday, for which Union county ballots have been printed and for which election the county is now ready:

The referendum on the appropriations for the University of Oregon is one of the measures upon which the votes will be called to pass opinion on November 4th. It is hoped that this is the last time the university will be called upon to defend itself against attacks brought on by personal malice and petty politics. Our higher institution of learning should be taken out of politics so that such attacks would be impossible.

At the time the petitions calling for the referendum were circulated, there was much talk of consolidation between the university and the Oregon Agricultural college. The argument for the referendum has never been that the university did not need the appropriations but that rather that it was unwise to spend more money on the Eugene school if the two schools were to be consolidated. In fact it has not been seriously questioned that the university needs and should have the appropriations.

Both the new building and the repairs on the buildings now there, are imperative if the school is to take care of the students now in attendance. Class rooms and administration offices have been greatly overcrowded for the last two years and this year a temporary rough board structure holding six rooms, has been put up for the overflow.

A thorough investigation seems to point out the fact that consolidation of the two schools would be neither economical nor desirable. It has never been approved by any state organization. It has been disapproved by both institutions and most of the state officials. The Oregon State Grange, the Women's clubs of Oregon and most of the newspapers have expressed their disapproval. In the first place consolidation of the two institutions in one place would cost the state over \$2,000,000 on a conservative estimate and a thorough comparison with states where consolidation has been tried, seems to show that there is nothing to be gained. The greatest enemy of higher education in Oregon is not so much "active opposition" as it is "passive loyalty."

It is strongly urged that all friends of the university will be at the polls and vote on November 4th. There seems to be a little misunderstanding

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FIGHTING AND MURDER IN MINE DISTRICTS GROW WORSE

Ludlow, Colo., Oct. 28.—Civil war on a small scale prevails. The governor has declared martial law throughout the coal fields where actual warfare has been going on for 12 hours, and by night several thousand troops will be on the scene. It is frequently reported that entrenched miners are opening fire on the militia as they assemble

and fierce fighting is going on in various sections. Efforts to negotiate peace have failed.

Denver, Oct. 28.—It is reported here that just before the governor left to take personal charge of troops in the striking mine district, that two children were reported killed in the shooting.