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TEXAS SEEMS DIVIDED OVER INTERVENTION

PATROL OF BORDER LINE MAY
BE ORDERED BY PRES-
IDENT WILSON.

MAINE GOVERNOR ASKS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

Situation Between Federal Govern-
ment and Governor Colquitt of Tex-
as is Becoming Strained—Many Tex-
ans Wire Their Approval to Presi-
dent Wilson of Wait Policy.

Washington, March 11.—Governor
Colquitt of Texas, has been repre-
sented as having defied the federal
authorities who prevented him from
sending rangers across the Mexican
line to protect Americans and their
property. It is understood that Presi-
dent Wilson intends to patrol the en-
tire Mexican border as an instance
against the governor's threats.

Senator Shepard of Texas, and Con-
gressman Garner of the same state,
it is understood, told the president
that the Texans would generally sup-
port him in his efforts to avoid trou-
ble. Shepard informed the president
that Colquitt misrepresented public
opinion in Texas and showed him
stacks of letters and telegrams from
constituents commending him for his
waiting policy. Senators Shively of
Indiana and Lewis of Illinois, in-
formed the president there would not
likely be any serious debate in the
upper house in spite of the fomenting
speech of Senator Fall of New Mexico
and others from the border states be-
cause most of the senators had ap-
proved the policy of the administra-
tion and that nothing of value could
be gained by armed intervention at
this time.

Maine Supports Texas.
Austin, Texas, March 11.—Governor
Colquitt has received the following
telegram from Governor Haynes of
the state of Maine: "How much long-
er must we wait until this good presi-
dent of ours awakes to the outrages
he has permitted in Mexico, which
should have been stopped months ago.
While I probably disagree with you
on many political questions, I pretty
sure do agree with you on the Mexi-
can question."

Bowling Tournament Plans Out.

New York, March 11.—Plans for the
big championship bowling tournament
to be held at Atlantic City beginning
April 8 and continuing through April
29, were announced here today at head-
quarters of the New York Bowling
association. Besides receipt of mes-
sages from nearly 100 bowling organ-
izations in the vicinity of New York
that they will be represented, it was
announced today that a score of bow-
ling clubs in as many sections of the
middlewest and east, also will send
teams. Major M. W. Gage, national
secretary, of Fulton street, Brooklyn,
is in charge of distributing entry
blanks. He said today that he expects
entries from 250 teams.

Martin Rush Dead.

Union, March 11.—(Special.)—Mar-
tin Rush of High Valley, aged 60 years
died at La Grande this week. He is
survived by three sons. His wife died
about two years ago.

Club Ladies Taking Parts

DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT TO
HEAR LOCAL LADY.

GIVES PROGRAM TONE

Neighborhood Club to Supply Speaker
For Commercial Club Lunch.

Something decidedly new is going to
be presented to Commercial club men
and their wives tomorrow night at the
luncheon at the M. E. church. At the
suggestion of the program committee
the Neighborhood club has promised to
supply a lady speaker for the pro-
gram. This unique portion of the pro-
gram will make the dinner a precedent
maker in La Grande for never in the
past have the ladies been participants
in the program in the way of speakers.
Musical numbers will be supplied too,
but the most unique part of it is that
the Neighborhood club is to supply a
speaker. Just who the lady that is to
represent the club is to be, has not
been announced, but will be tomorrow
evening.

The balance of the program will be
brief, but snappy and the whole affair
will be over before other social affairs
of the evening need be attended.

FLYLESS CITY PLANS MATURE

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB TAKES UP SCHEME.

Dr. Hodge Explains How to Make La
Grande Void of Flies.

Plans to make a complete survey of
the city for breeding places for flies
and to make cheap fly prisons near
barns and such breeding places as are
found and to have removed the causes
of flies, were taken up for considera-
tion with the neighborhood club in a
tentative way last evening at the con-
clusion of Dr. Hodge's lecture at the
high school auditorium on flies. A
representative audience was present
and after the speech the matter of a
campaign to make La Grande a flyless
city came up.

In the United States, he said, ap-
proximately one-third of the sickness
and deaths can be laid to the door of
the housefly which, as a carrier of
disease germs, has no equal. He told
how a campaign in Johannesburg,
South Africa, against the fly had re-
duced sickness by one-fifth.

Friendly Cooperation.

The keynote of his campaigns, he
said, and his watchword, is "friendly
cooperation." The people of the
community must work together rather
than split into two factions. When a
neighbor refuses to take the proper
steps to prevent the breeding of flies,
he should not be arrested, said the
speaker, or in any way antagonized.
If he will not listen to argument or
cannot afford the small cost of a fly-
trap, his permission should be secur-
ed to allow others to place a trap on
the breeding place upon his premis-
es. Unity of action is absolutely es-
sential in an anti-fly campaign, he
said.

"The trouble in most communi-
ties," he said, "is that the people are
lost in the cold gray doleful mesh of
whats-the-useness. What's the use of
me going to all of this trouble when
Bill Jones won't do it, one man says,
and the next man echoes his senti-

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UNEMPLOYED ARE OFFERED 50 MILE FARE

COUNTY OFFICIALS AGREE TO
GIVE THEM TRANSPORTA-
TION OUT OF COUNTY.

MUST SPLIT INTO BANDS IS CONDITION

Hobos However, Must Have Time to
Consider and Have Agreed to Give
Weighty Answer Tonight—Officials
Seek to Divide Army Into Small
Bands and Distribute Them.

Sacramento, March 11.—Free trans-
portation to various parts of Califor-
nia within a radius of 50 miles from
Sacramento, has been offered the
leaders of the unemployed men by
A. W. Armfield of Woodland, on be-
half of the Yuclo county officials.
This offer was made as the condition
that not more than fifty men were
to be sent to any one community.

The unemployed are deliberating
and promised to give an answer by
this evening. They have been denied
the privilege of sending all of the
men on any one train. The officials of
Yuclo and Sacramento are trying to
solve the difficulty by sending small
bands into various sections of the state
where there is work on the farms.

Robbers Take Advantage.

While the city was in the throes of
the excitement due to the trouble with
the army of unemployed, robbers took
advantage of the lack of police pro-
tection and raided the saloon of Har-
lan brothers. They secured a thou-
sand dollars in gold quartz and a small
quantity of money. They likewise
took a quantity of liquor but over-
looked three thousand in gold quartz
which was stored in the saloon. Police
say the robbers are members of the
army who scattered throughout the
city after Monday's riot.

HUERTA IS THREATENED.

Report of Attempted Assassination
is Current Again.

Mexico City, March 11.—Discovery
of a plot to assassinate Huerta has
been reported. His bodyguard has
been strengthened and increased. Of-
ficial dispatches tell of fierce fighting
north of Torreon where 4000 federal
are said to be successfully resisting
the rebel force which is 20 per cent
greater. The censorship is so strict
that none but the most meagre re-
ports are allowed to pass the Mexican
authorities.

Vera Cruz, March 11.—After a des-
perate encounter on the outskirts of
Tampico the rebels are reported to
have driven the federals back into the
town. Foreign warships in the
harbor for the refuge of outsiders are
being prepared to take aboard all for-
eigners.

DEBATE AT IMBLER.

Walter M. Pierce and Louis H. Bergold
Will Participate In It.

Imbler, March 11.—(Special.)—On
St. Patrick's day, at 7:30 in the eve-
ning at the New Amusement hall, the
Citizens' Development league of Imbler
will stage a debate. The subject is
"Has President Wilson made
Good?" Walter M. Pierce has the af-
firmative and Louis H. Bergold has
the negative. The public is invited and
there will be no charge.

BANDITS FALL UPON CHINESE AND AMERICANS

NORWEGIAN MISSIONARY KILL-
ED IN ATTACK BY
CHINESE BANDITS.

ENGLISH AND YANKEE PROPERTY OWNERS LOSE

Fugitive from Scene of Devastation
Brings Story of Outlaw Attack on
Province that Results in Big De-
struction of Property and Death of
a Missionary.

Pekin, March 11.—Dr. T. Froyland,
a Norwegian, was killed and much
British and American property was
stolen and destroyed by bandits in a
raid on Lao Ho Kow. The news of the
raid was brought here by C. M. Sama
who escaped and made his way to the
city in face of dire hardships. The
outlaws were admitted to the town
through the connivance of treacherous
officials. There were about 400 of them
and while they remained they enacted
some of the most exciting scenes im-
aginable. Besides the missionary, many
Chinese were killed. Among the build-
ings burned and plundered were the
Asiatic petroleum company's building
and the building of the American & British
tobacco company.

BERNHARD JURY HANGS.

Deliberations Continue Until this
Morning with no Verdict.

After an all night session of the
jury in the case of the state vs. Franz
Bernhard, they failed to reach a ver-
dict. At 8:30 last night the vote stood
0-2 and when they reported this morn-
ing the sentiment had not changed for
the vote was the same. The jury was
out all night and did not sleep. Just
what the state will do in the case has
not been determined. The case is a
peculiar one as it comes under a new
section of the statutes that is not very
clear.

The case of the state vs. Harry
Mowbray was dismissed this morning
when the prosecuting attorney in-
formed the court that he had been un-
able to locate the prosecuting wit-
ness. He had made an attempt to have
this witness put under bonds to appear
but this was not done it is said. The
charge was one of larceny in a dwell-
ing.

In the trial of the case of state vs.
Bernhard the court officers set a pre-
cedent in as much as all persons under
the age of 21 were rigidly excluded
from the court room. This is the first
time this has been done and may in
the future become the rule of the court
whenever possible, when the trial of
statutory cases are up for determina-
tion. The move is particularly that of
Mr. Hiltz, the court bailiff, but it has
the sanction of the circuit judge, and
no doubt when concurred in by the at-
torneys for both the state and the de-
fense, dodges the obnoxious law, it is
said.

Siegel Bankers Indicted.

New York, March 11.—Henry Siegel
and Frank Vogel, officials of the Siegel
private bank, were indicted for grand
larceny and charged with accepting
deposits for the insolvent institution
after they knew they were insolvent.
There are three counts each. The men
are accused of securing from the Na-
tional Bank of Commerce a \$25,000
deposit by false statements of the as-
sets of the insolvent bank.

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SUMMERVILLE PLANT SPREADS

FARMERS TO BE SUPPLIED WITH ELECTRICITY.

Flat Rate Charge System Makes Ex-
tension to Farmers Feasible.

A. Klees & Son, owners of the elec-
tric light plant at Summerville, are
re-organizing and will hereafter be
known as the Klees Water Power com-
pany.

Plans and specifications for a much
larger central station and distributing
system have been prepared by experts
and much of the preliminary work
completed.

The present plant was erected about
five years ago, but is too small to meet
the ever increasing demand for light
and power from the farmers of the
Grande Ronde valley.

In order to supply this demand Leo
Klees, manager, has worked out a
distribution system especially for rural
service.

This system of distribution and a
measured flat rate system of charging
for current, have overcome the difficul-
ties which formerly prevented the de-
velopment of a rural district electrically.

Due to the prohibitive cost of elec-
tric line construction farmers are to be
brought within striking distance, fig-
uratively speaking, of the central sta-
tion which serves them, considering
the community as a whole. It has been
determined that the cost involved in
so bringing the farmers served to the
central station averages \$200 and this
amount has been incorporated as a
connection charge by the company.

The overhead expense involved in
reading and checking meters, billing
and collecting accounts, etc., in a rural
district, with miles of travel to reach
each consumer, has, in the past been
the second great obstacle to rural ex-
tensions. The plans worked out by the
Klees company have reduced this ex-
pense to the minimum by using a
measured flat rate system payable
yearly.

During the past year experts have
examined the property and declared it
capable of a very extensive develop-
ment. The power comes from Mill
creek, a tributary of the Grande Ronde
river. The waters of this creek are
fed from warm springs and do not
freeze in winter. A heavy pipe line
will carry the water from the reser-

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AL JENNINGS FEELS CERTAIN OF ELECTION

EX-CONVICT AND CRIMINAL
LEADS OKLAHOMA
CANDIDACY.

LIFE AFTER PARDON SAID TO BE EXEMPLAR

After Completing Ten Year Sentence
for Being Leader of Famous Out-
laws and Murderers Al Jennings
Now Confidently Aspires to Be Gov-
ernor of Oklahoma By Big Margin.

Oklahoma City, March 11.—An-
nouncing his platform in a statement
that takes up barely ten lines of single
column printed matter, Al J. Jennings
who served ten years in the Ohio peni-
tentiary and former leader of the fa-
mous Jennings gang of Indian Terri-
tory outlaws, is taking first place
among the seven men who have al-
ready formally entered the race for
the democratic nomination for gover-
nor of Oklahoma. Jennings is being
bitterly fought by the so-called demo-
cratic machine. His race, barely be-
gun, promises to be one of the most
spectacular ever seen, even in the po-
litical-ridden state of Oklahoma.

The other candidates include a judge
of the supreme court, Robert L. Wil-
liams, of Durant; a supreme court
commissioner, Judge J. B. Robertson,
of Chandler; an attorney general,
Charles West, of Enid; a secretary of
state, Ben F. Harrison, of Calvin; a
state treasurer, R. L. Dunlop, of New-
kirkfi and a ranchman-banker, F. E.
Herring, of Elk City. Rumor has it
that a former governor and a United
States congressman may also decide
to enter the race.

Jennings says he is certain to win.
He believes as firmly as it is possible
for any man to believe anything that
he will be the next governor of the
state where thirty years ago there was
a price on his body, dead or alive. In
the last election of Oklahoma county,
he ran for prosecuting attorney. He
secured the nomination on the demo-
cratic ticket and lost the election by
only five hundred votes with 14,000
cast. Jennings says the "high up"
criminals and the election judges stole
the office from him. However that
may be, it is evident that the other
candidates fear him above any other
one man. On returning from the peni-
tentiary, he reviewed his studies in
law, was given back his citizenship by
President Roosevelt and he has made
good in the profession in a big way.
His enemies have been unable to pro-
duce evidence that he has not lived a
straight life since he was pardoned
from the penitentiary.

A year ago he had a suite of rooms
in the State National bank building
at Oklahoma City. He had an income
of \$5000 a year. He was one of the
leading criminal lawyers of the state
with all the business he could attend
to. Clients came to him from all parts
of Oklahoma. Today he has two little
dark rooms in the back of an obscure
old brick building on North Broadway.
His neighbors are second rate dentists
and dressmakers. A creaky old stair-
way leads the way from the street to
his office door, on which in small let-
ters is the sign "Al J. Jennings." He has
quite a law practice. He says a man
can't be exactly on the square and
practice law. Then, it will take all his
time to attend to the coming cam-
paign.