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EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO MEET WILSON

IN SPITE OF OPPOSITION TO
POLICIES, WILSON HAS IN-
VITED THE COLONEL.

POLITICIANS THINK IT
VERY IMPORTANT MEETING

Recent Visit to South America May
Have Much to Do With Shaping of
Policy Towards Mexico as Latin-
American Countries Are in Sym-
pathy With Huerta.

Washington, May 25.—Roosevelt
will visit the White House tomorrow
afternoon. Wilson let it be known
that he had invited the colonel to
lunch, but that the latter found he
could not accept owing to pressure of
time. He stated, however, that Roose-
velt would go to the White House to-
morrow before he delivers his ad-
dress to the national geographical so-
ciety.

Politicians are greatly interested in
the visit and think it is likely that
the visit will have something to do
to shape the policy of the adminis-
tration regarding the Mexican affair,
owing to the colonel's visit to Brazil,
Argentina and Chile, where he con-
ferred with heads of each govern-
ment in known sympathy with Mex-
ico.

The invitation has been extended the
colonel, regardless of his known op-
position to the canal tolls repeal ac-
tivity and the administration's Col-
umbia treaty policy.

BRIDGE FIRE IS CONQUERED

HAWTHORNE BRIDGE IN PORT-
LAND ENDANGERED.

Structure Will Be Closed to Traffic
for Several Days.

Portland, May 25.—The Haw-
thorne bridge was saved from de-
struction this morning by the valiant
work of the river fire boat Campbell.
The flames were discovered in the
planking of the draw span, but the
cause is not known. The bridge will
be closed to traffic for several days.

Here to Meet Son.

Mrs. Cull Smith of Wallowa is in
the city to meet her son Dean, who
is expected to return from St. Louis
where he is attending Principia col-
lege a preparatory school of good
name.

K. of P. Feast Tonight.

Elgin and Union Knights of Pythias
are to attend a third-rank initiation
and banquet in La Grande tonight. A
big delegation, both home and visitors
are prepared for.

Supreme Court Reconvenes.

Washington, May 25.—The Supre-
me Court of the United States recon-
vened here at noon today after a two
weeks recess. The famous railroad
rate cases were still pending.

Bishop Pictures Holy Land Visit

INTENSELY INTERESTING RE-
CITAL OF TRAVEL HEARD.

JOURNEY WELL DESCRIBED

Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Reilly Heard by
La Grande Audience.

Rt. Rev. Chas. J. O'Reilly, bishop
of Baker City yesterday, at the
Catholic church, recited some of his
impressions gained on a trip to Rome,
the Holy Land and other places of
interest on the old continent. La
Grande was favored inasmuch as
this is the first lecture the Rt. Rev.
Bishop has delivered since his return.

On Feb. 24th the Rt. Rev. Bishop,
with his party set sail on the "Fran-
con'a" from New York for Europe.
The first stopping place was Gibral-
ter where the touring party got its
first glimpse of the old world and
its quaint customs. The next stop-
ping place was the Isle of Madeira,
which at the time of their arrival, was
clothed in midsummer verdure and
loveliness. From there they went to
Monaco, on the northern coast of
Africa, noted for the famous gam-
bling resort, wither gather the "elite"
of all worlds to test fortune at the
roulette wheel. "Here, he said, the
spectator is met by the strange spec-
tacle of beautifully gowned women,
(who were in the majority), staking
their money on the whimsical turns
of fortune." The feature which
struck the Rt. Rev. Bishop was the in-
tense earnestness on the faces of the
players.

From Monaco the party proceeded
by boat to Naples, where old Mt.
Vesuvius, still smoking and smolder-
ing, threatens to break forth again
at some future day to repeat the
harrowing story of Herculaneum and
Pompeii. From here the Bishop
hastened to pay his respects to the
saintly and aged pontiff Pius X, who
rules over 300,000,000 subjects with
an interest that is consuming his re-
maining strength. "The pope said
he, is now 79 years of age and is de-
clining. In the party were many
non-Catholics, whom the saintly pon-
tiff received with the same solicitude
as he did his own children and im-

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CORNERSTONE LAYING AN EPOCH IN LA GRANDE'S ADVANCEMENT

Beautiful Weather During Ceremony
Breaks When Last Word is Spoken

CHIEF DONORS AND WORKERS APPEAR ON PROGRAM

Over Two Thousand People Witness Solemn
Ceremony Yesterday

La Grande yesterday laid the cor-
ner stone of her \$40,000 Y. M. C. A.
building. Marked with details on
every hand that were signally propi-
tious and appropos the crowning
chapter on a long history of municipal
striving passed off with smoothness
and intense interest. Even the gods
that govern the sunshine and the rain
plugged up the stoppers, keeping
rain back and uncurtailed the heav-
ens, letting the sun beam down on a
gathering of about 2000 people as-
sembled to watch the formalities. No
sooner over than clouds obscured the
sky, and the rain began to fall.

Men and women who went through
the campaign with remarkable tena-
city, overcoming mountainous ob-
stacles, but victors in the end, either
participated in or were present at the
ceremony.

Every item of the program was
strikingly appropos. The O.-W. was
well represented on the program, for
it is a railroad Y. M. C. A. Mrs. M.
F. Honan a generous donor, the
prime movers, the men who took the
campaign through the storm, the men
who planned the building, and those
who arranged the ceremony, were on
hand smiling the smile of the victor.

Rev. J. D. Gillilan, D. D., superin-
tendent of the M. E. church, Boise,
district, came over from Idaho to the

town he still holds dear in his heart
because of long associations here and
invoked blessings of Deity upon the
corner and the building.

Geo. Curry recited the incident,
which came about in the raising of
funds for the building; how sentiment
grew from year to year; how the Y.
M. C. A. moved from quarter to quar-
ter as the rooms became too small;
how the little excursions to the hills
captured the boys and made boosters
of them in their respective homes;
how noble men and women, realizing
the objects of the great organization
began to offer generous sums; and
how finally the campaign, with Mac
Wood at its head, and everybody pull-
ing at the rope, came to whirlwind
end with enough money subscribed to
insure the erection of the building.

A quartet consisting of Messrs
Ferrin, Stoddard, Davis and Bernie,
then rendered two very appropriate
numbers, which was followed by a
brief description of the building by
George Cochran in the place of Geo.
Stoddard, who was called from the
city in the morning through an un-
foreseen accident.

Chas. E. Cochran of Portland, but
formerly of this city, then unveiled the
stone and in a beautiful simile of a
golden ball—out of the reach of the
tallest in the community, and which

Golden Dollars Fall From Sky

ESTIMATED THAT HALF MIL-
LION IS SAVED.

SANDRIDGE IS SOAKED NOW

Elgin Got the Least of Thorough
Shower in This Valley.

Great gobs of golden dollars fell
from the skies over the Grande Ron-
valley during the past 24 hours, and
spasmodically today has been kept
up. The Sandridge, where wheat
fields were suffering seriously, and
where another week of drought would
have practically ruined wheat, the
rain was especially sufficient. A
real "soaker" fell everywhere except
in the Elgin country, and even there
it was plenty to tide the country over
another dry period. The rain has
easily meant a half million dollars to
wheat growers.

with all its blessings was finally
reached by a small child on the
shoulders of the tallest man, thus
bringing down on the community un-
told blessings who had assisted in
the effort—compared the blessings of
the Y. M. C. A. to any community,
which shares in the blessings that
flow from its usefulness. And as the
stone in the corner is bound to the
rest of the building by the mortar,
so all men should be bound in one
body of friendship and love and use-
fulness.

The box with its contents was then
placed in the hole prepared for it, by
Mrs. M. F. Honan, who contributed
liberally to the project, and Harley
Richardson, president of Junior Board
of the Y. M. C. A., the latter reading
the contents of the box.

W. W. Cotton, general counsel for
the O.-W., then ascended the roster

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WAR MINISTER DEFIES HUERTA IN CRUEL DEED

DICTATOR HURRIES TO BELEM
PRISON TO ORDER EXECU-
TION OF 100 PRISONERS

BLANQUET ORDERS MEN
BACK TO THEIR CELLS

"You Must Stop Killing Supposed
Enemies of the Government, if You
Want Me to Support You," Says
Minister and Huerta Turns Left
About and Goes to Cafe for Re-
freshments.

Vera Cruz, May 25.—According to
reliable advices received today, war
minister Blanquet dominated the sit-
uation in the Mexican capital
when he openly defied Huerta. The
latter was compelled to back down in
the execution of a scheme that would
have brought death to all the one
hundred political prisoners in Belem
prison.

Huerta had discovered or, alleged
he had discovered a plot against his
government and became mad with
rage. He hurried to the prison and
gave orders that all of the prisoners
be executed. But at this juncture
Minister Blanquet's automobile ar-
rived. Blanquet ordered the prisoners
returned to their cells and turned on
the dictator. "You must stop killing
all supposed enemies of the govern-
ment, said he, if you expect me to
support you." Huerta yielded and
went to a cafe and ordered refresh-
ments.

HOME RULE BECOMES LAW

THIRD READING PASSED LORDS
CAN'T INTERFERE.

Demonstration at Westminster Comes
Near Ending in Riot.

London, May 25.—The House of
Commons this afternoon passed the
Home Rule bill for the third time
under the present law. It will now be-
come law in spite of any opposi-
tion on the part of the house of
Lords.

The voting was quick and took most
persons with surprise, as most of
them expected a long debate. Crowds
flocked to Westminster and almost
caused a sensation. The people starved
when the revenue bill came up and
was passed before any one realized
what had taken place.

Divorced, Now Married.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Knapp, living
in south La Grande who some six
weeks ago were divorced from each
other on charges brought by Mrs.
Knapp, were last Saturday night re-
united in marriage by Rev. E. B.
Fyke. The reunion is said to have
come about at the request of Mr.
Knapp. One child was born to them
and this is partially responsible for
the reunion.

The law forbidding a remarriage
within six months from the date of
divorce decree does not apply to cases
where the original parties to the di-
vorce seek to remarry.

