

AMERICA HAS NO CLAIM, SAYS GRANT

Commander Declares Zelaya Is Safe if Executed Men Insurrectionists.

HIS PERSONAL BELIEF ONLY

Other Officers of Government, However, Declare United States Has Just Claim on Nicaragua for Death of Its Citizens.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—An interview reported to have been given by General Grant appeared in a Chicago newspaper last Saturday. In this interview the Commander of the Department of the Lakes was quoted as saying that the United States would have no claim for reparation upon the government of Nicaragua if it was found that Cannon and Groce, the Americans executed by Zelaya, were insurrectionists.

After the interview had caused comment at Washington, General Grant said he had expressed it as his personal opinion that no reparation could be demanded in the Nicaragua case if the Americans executed were found to be insurrectionists. The General said he knew nothing about the merits of the case and had expressed no opinion upon it to be regarded as official.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—General Frederick D. Grant's reported utterances regarding the execution in Nicaragua of the two Americans, Cannon and Groce, probably will not be a subject for action by the Secretary of War. Legal officers of the Government, however, well versed in international law, take a view of the matter entirely at variance with that of General Grant, and hold there could be no legal or other justification for the killing of Cannon or Groce.

General Grant telegraphed the Secretary of War that he had not stated in an interview that Nicaragua might have been justified in the Groce and Cannon cases. General Grant's telegram follows:

"I regret very much that false reports are given of alleged interview with me. I have had no interview on Nicaragua."

LEADER SHOT WITHOUT TRIAL

Francisco Espinosa Seized on Return From Visit to Washington.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 30.—George S. Laocoya, a planter near Leon, Nicaragua, said today that Francisco Espinosa, father of Rudolfo Espinosa, former Nicaraguan Minister at Washington, and of Emilio Espinosa, one of the leaders of the revolutionary movement in Nicaragua, had been executed by order of Zelaya.

According to Laocoya, who was a passenger on the steamer Atenas, arriving here from Colon, Espinosa was seized on his arrival at Corinto from Washington, where he had been visiting his son, was taken to Grenada and there shot. Laocoya also said Colonel Hernandez Barrios and Maximilian Sacasa, prominent supporters of the revolutionary cause, were recently executed by order of President Zelaya.

LORDS DEFEAT BUDGET

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were occupied in clearing the House, tellers for division being Earl Waldegrave, Viscount Churchill, Baron Denman and Lord Colebrook.

When the vote was announced, just before midnight, the result was 75 in favor of the amendment, a few cheers were heard. The Earl of Crewe immediately moved an adjournment and the House rose.

Tory Leader Disapproves.

It is worthy of note that Lord St. Aldwyn, who as Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was one of the ablest Chancellor of the Exchequer of the Conservative side, has ostentatiously absented himself from all debates on Lord Lansdowne's resolution, and this morning he announced his intention not to go to the House for the division. His absence was due to disapproval of Lord Lansdowne's course and together with that of other weighty Conservative peers, will have great effect in the country.

Fine Display of Oratory.

The final debate was distinguished by oratorical excellence, particularly in the speeches of Lord Curzon, of Kensington, ex-Viceroy of India, and of the Archbishop of York. The archbishop's speech was his maiden effort in the House of Lords and his eloquent peroration, led by Dr. Lang's fine presence and beautiful voice, made a deep impression. The archbishop strongly opposed Lord Lansdowne's resolution, declaring that it would be unprecedented for the Lords to reject a finance bill passed by the House of Commons by such a majority.

Assert Lords' Ancient Right.

Earl Cawdor, ex-First Lord of the Admiralty, who would up the debate for the opposition, maintained that an attempt had been made to evade the Lords' ancient right to reject the tax by placing all taxes on one bill. It was idle to pretend, he said, that such a change of procedure by the House of Commons would affect one iota of the responsibilities and duties of the second chamber. He quoted Premier Asquith as stating on assuming the Premiership that the function of the House of Lords was to check slovenly and precipitate legislation. This, Earl Cawdor thought, fairly represented the action the Lords proposed to take.

Referring to tacking on license proposals and land valuation to the budget, he said that, as both these had previously been rejected by the House of Lords, it would destroy all the power of the upper house if the Lords were unable to veto the finance bill, in which these were included. He asserted the budget already had driven capital from the country to an alarming extent, and that the building trade and had increased unemployment.

Move Called Unprecedented.

The Archbishop of York said it would be unprecedented for the Lords to reject a finance bill passed by the House of Commons with such a majority. The Peers would be judged, he thought, not by their intentions but by their performance, and no matter what they said, it would be understood that in refusing supplies for the year, they had rejected the budget.

Quoting Lord Chatham, he contended the consent of the Peers was necessary only to clothe with the form of law a tax determined by the crown. The gift of grant was in the House of Commons alone. The constitutional question was one, the speaker declared, which would not be decided by the House of Commons, and many persons would prefer the passage of a bad budget to tampering with

APPOINTED TO NEW YORK STATE OFFICE.

Edward T. Perine, who has been named as the first Deputy Controller of the new York State under the new Controller, Clark Williams, has been for some time an officer of the New York Audit Company. Before that he was with the United States Mortgage Company, and prior to that with a Jersey City bank. He takes the place of Otto Kelsey, who was at one time Superintendent of Insurance and whom Governor Hughes has been trying to get out of office for a long time.



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U.S. WEALTH TABBED

Taft Completes Financial Part of His Message.

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Internal Revenue Tolls Booming. Corporation Tax to Clean More Than \$25,000,000—Disbursement Excess Is Small.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The financial portion of the President's message has been completed. It was taken up at some length at today's session of the Cabinet. The Panama Canal bond situation and other features engaged close attention.

Today's official figures show an actual working balance in the treasury of \$26,533,680, though the total balance in the general fund, which includes this working balance, the balance in bank and the balance of the Philippine Islands is placed at \$82,978,472.

Today's excess of all disbursements over all receipts is \$262,747, and the excess of all disbursements over all receipts so far this year is \$44,295,956, as against \$4,772,239 for the same period in the previous fiscal year. Internal revenue receipts are booming. More than \$25,000,000 for the current fiscal year is expected from the corporation tax.

Estimates for the various departments have been cut heavily. There are \$290,559,000 of Panama bonds authorized, but not issued. The sum of \$27,624,649 represents the amount expended out of the general fund of the treasury, reimbursable from proceeds of bonds not sold. While existing laws authorize \$75,200,500 in Panama bonds, only \$4,621,930 have been issued.

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Judge McCredie leaves tomorrow morning via the Northern Pacific for Washington, D. C., accompanied by Mrs. McCredie. Among his visitors today was Congressman W. B. DuBois, chairman of the deep-water committee of the Vancouver Commercial Club, who urged upon the Congressman appropriation of \$150,000 for a jetty from the Oregon shore into the Columbia at a short distance below the steel bridge, to make a permanent deep-water channel from this city to the sea.

Judge McCredie said he favored a parcels post and postal savings banks. There were two pressing questions, he declared. The first was whether the nation was safe, and the other, whether the people were sound. But neither question, he thought, could be settled by taxation.

After attacking the arguments of Lord Rosebery, Lord Cromer and Lord Curzon, he declared that the position of the House of Commons in refusing to vote on Lansdowne's amendment, Lord Curzon said he could not shrink from the position. If they did surrender, nothing would stand between the people and the House of Commons. He strongly deprecated the suggestion that England would adopt a single chamber system like that of Bulgaria and Greece.

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TROUBLE FEARED AT LEAD

MOYER TRAVELS ON SAME TRAIN WITH DETECTIVES.

Men Who Saw Service in Cripple Creek Riots Hurry to Scene of Dakota Strike.

DENVER, Nov. 30.—Traveling on the same train with 70 employees of a detective agency who act as guards at the Homestake mine, where a strike is now in progress, Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, left Denver last night for Lead, S. D.

According to telegrams received at the headquarters of the Federation, the situation at Lead is becoming alarming, and Moyer was urged to join other officers of the Federation now at the scene of the strike.

The guards, who had been hastily gathered from all parts of the West, were in charge of Robert Boykin. Many of them took part in the Cripple Creek riots of a few years ago, and the reason for their hasty departure for Lead is said to be fear on the part of the mineowners that there would be a repetition of that affair.

Union officials deny that the union miners have started any trouble, but admit that it may occur.

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FUND FROM TAXES GROWS

Washington Property Pays Twice What It Did in 1904.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—For 1908 \$30,433,000 was raised by direct taxation in Washington, as against about \$19,500,000 in 1904, according to a compilation just completed by Secretary E. E. Corne, of the State Tax Commission. This does not include the money raised by fines, licenses or assessments for special purposes.

In 1906, the aggregate was \$14,000,000; in 1907, it went up to \$18,500,000. Real estate paid 74.45 per cent of the total tax for 1908, railways 10.75 per cent, street railways about 2 per cent and personal property 12.3 per cent.

WILSON MAY GET OFFICE

Brother of Seattle Man May Be Ambassador to Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 30.—American Ambassador Thompson formally vacated the diplomatic office today, to assume charge of the Pan-American Railroad, which he recently purchased.

Until the successor of Mr. Thompson arrives, the embassy will be in charge of First Secretary James G. Bailey. It has been understood here for some time that the next Ambassador would be Henry L. Wilson, American Minister to Belgium, and brother of ex-Senator John L. Wilson, of Washington.

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