

KNOX SEVERS ALL RELATIONS WITH ZELAYA

Dictator in Flat Terms Is Branded Tyrant, Trouble-Maker.

RODRIGUEZ GIVEN PASSPORT

United States Recognizes De Facto Government of Revolutionists.

WAR IS LEFT TO CONGRESS

Death of Americans Laid to Zelaya Personally.

REPARATION NOT DECIDED

Views of President Taft Reflected in Knox' Letter to Charge d'Affaires. Zelaya Keeps Central Americans Always in Ferment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Secretary of State Knox late today returned the passports of Felipe Rodriguez, Charge d'Affaires of the Nicaraguan legation, with a letter scathingly denouncing the Zelayan administration of the government of Nicaragua.

Zelaya Held Responsible. The extraordinary feature of the letter is that it seems to evince an intention on the part of United States to hold President Zelaya personally responsible for the alleged torture and execution of the Americans, Cannon and Green, and exhibits the unique situation of one government holding the chief executive of another practically as a common malefactor.

Held as Tyrant. Zelaya is branded as a violator of solemn international conventions, a disturber of national and international peace, a tyrant whose administration has been a blot upon the name of good government.

Secretary Knox virtually announces the recognition of the Nicaraguan revolutionists, declares it to be the conviction of the United States that the revolution represents the sentiments of a majority of the Nicaraguans, and that there is evidently no responsible government with which the United States can deal.

All Must Protect America. He therefore announces that all parties will be held accountable for their actions as affecting the interests of Americans and the peace of Central America.

War Left to Congress. This brings the crisis as near to the status of war as it could be brought by executive action without a definite declaration by Congress, which will convene next Monday. Mr. Knox's letter in all but so many words makes it plain that the action represents the wish and attitude of all the Central American States with the single exception of Honduras, which is regarded here as entirely dominated by Zelaya. Mexico has its sympathy with the United States in this matter.

Text of Knox' Letter. Department of State, Washington, Dec. 1, 1909.—Sir: Since the Washington convention of 1907, it is notorious that President Zelaya has almost continuously kept Central America in tension or turmoil, that he has repeatedly and flagrantly violated the provisions of the convention, and, by a baneful influence on Honduras, whose neutrality the conventions were to assure, has sought to discredit the sacred international obligations to the great detriment of Costa Rica, Salvador and Guatemala, whose governments meanwhile appear to have been able patiently to strive for the loyal support of the engagements so solemnly undertaken at Washington under the auspices of the United States and of Mexico.

Zelaya Throttles Freedom. It is equally a matter of common knowledge that, under the regime of President Zelaya, republican institutions

PEARL NECKLACE SEIZED BY LOEB

RICH MAN'S WIFE DEPRIVED OF \$25,000 BAUBLE.

Alleged Attempt to Smuggle Jewels Into Country Leads to Their Loss and Trouble for Owner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Chesbrough pearl necklace was seized today by Collector Loeb, who appraises its \$12 units, with the duty added, at \$25,000. The owner is Mrs. Fremont B. Chesbrough, wife of a millionaire lumberman of Detroit and Boston.

Two customs inspectors aware they found a bill of sale for the pearls last May in the false bottom of one of Mrs. Chesbrough's trunks, but the pearls were missing. According to Chesbrough, the jewels were being held to his order in Toronto, Canada. Collector Loeb says that he insisted upon possession, but was given what proved to be an imitation.

He continued to press the Government's claim, and on July 28 he obtained the originals. He has held them since, pending proof that they had never been in this country. Such proof has not been forthcoming, according to Mr. Loeb, and today the necklace was seized as a preliminary to action against Mrs. Chesbrough.

GENERAL JENNISON DEAD

Man With Brilliant Civil War Record Passes in California.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—General S. P. Jennison died suddenly at his Covina home last night. His passing removes a man with a brilliant Civil War record, formerly active in journalism and politics in Minnesota, and lately prominent in citrus fruit organizations in Southern California.

General Jennison had been indisposed several days but his condition was not considered alarming. Mrs. Jennison was away from the house a short time and on her return found him sitting dead in his chair by the fireplace.

In 1869 Jennison became a private secretary to Governor Alexander Ramsey, who also appointed him State Librarian. These offices he resigned on the issuance of President Lincoln's second call for troops. He was breveted several times during the war for gallantry. After the war he was private secretary to three Governors of Minnesota, and from 1872 to 1875 was Secretary of State.

WHITMAN STOPS FOOTBALL

Faculty Abolishes Game Because of Injuries in Mass Plays.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 1.—Following the serious injuries to players in the Thanksgiving day football game here between Whitman College and Washington State College, the faculty of Whitman College today officially announced that the game would be abolished at this institution next year unless mass plays are eliminated from the game by the committee on rules.

Whitman College is the first institution in the Pacific Northwest to take action toward securing reform in football rules.

In explanation of its action a member of the faculty tonight said that the game played here Thanksgiving demonstrated clearly the need of abolishing mass plays as the five players who were injured in that game sustained their injuries through this means. The action of the faculty has created a sensation in athletic circles here.

DR. COOK WITH MULDOON

Explorer Found at Ex-Wrestler's Resort Taking Athletic Cure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Dr. Cook's whereabouts are no longer a mystery. The Arctic explorer was located today at Muldoon's farm, where he is undergoing the ex-wrestler's athletic cure.

It has been known here that Cook had sought seclusion in a health resort, but not until many of the prominent watering places were visited did the explorers after Cook think of inquiring for him at Muldoon's.

Muldoon denies that Cook is there, at least saying that if he is there he entered under an assumed name.

SLEEPER WALKS OFF TRAIN

Somnambulist Steps Unhurt From 60-Mile-an-Hour Vehicle.

HAMMOND, Ind., Dec. 1.—While in a somnambulist sleep on a fast Lake Shore train today, J. M. Ashcroft, aged 70, of Red Key, Ind., walked off the train while it was running 60 miles an hour near Chesterton and was practically unhurt.

He fell on a parallel track and while getting up was struck by another train. He suffered only a slight scalp wound and continued his journey.

U. S. SEAMEN STILL ADRIFT

Over 100 Hours Pass Without Word From Missing Crew.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Another day has gone by without the five men of the deck crew of the gunboat Marletta, off Port Limon, Costa Rica, being found.

It is now more than 100 hours since the little boat was swept out to sea.

Nothing was heard from the Marletta in regard to the lost sailors in the wholeboat. Each hour that passes made it more certain in the minds of naval officers that the men never will return.

DESPOTISM RULES IN ZELAYA'S LAND

Nicaraguan Conditions Unbelievable.

PLEDGE OF PEACE IS BROKEN

All Agreements Made at Washington Violated.

UNITED STATES SPONSOR

Present Step Taken Only After All Efforts at Moral Suasion Fail. "Paralyzed," Says Rodriguez, but Other Attaches Rejoice.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—In breaking off diplomatic relations between this country and Nicaragua, Secretary Knox referred to President Zelaya as a violator of the Washington convention. This was an agreement arrived at two years ago among the nations of Central America assembled through their representatives in Washington.

Through the efforts of Mr. Root, then Secretary of State, representatives of the Central American republics, then on the point of a general warfare, largely due, it was alleged, to the ambition of President Zelaya to become dictator of Central America, were brought to Washington and induced to enter into a compact to refrain from exploitation of the territories of one another and to observe rules of civilized intercourse.

Especially were they pledged to submit to arbitration any differences that might arise between them. The integrity of Honduras was guaranteed.

Zelaya Dominates Honduras. Now Secretary Knox practically charges that all these stipulations were violated by President Zelaya. He has dominated Honduras, whose President is declared to be only his mouthpiece, and Zelaya has not hesitated to violate the laws of neutrality by sending troops without warrant or permission into Salvador and Costa Rica.

That he would have done the same in the case of Guatemala had the revolution extended to the northern frontier of Nicaragua is not doubted.

Moral Suasion Fails. It was well understood, though never adumbrated to the form of a treaty, that not only the United States but Mexico would undertake to see the provisions of this treaty were effective, though purely moral suasion was supposed to be the main reliance to accomplish this.

This has utterly failed, after a trial of nearly two years. Reports to the Department of State from its diplomatic and consular agents have shown that in that period President Zelaya has been stirring up discontent in other Central American republics, giving substantial aid to would-be revolutionists and doing everything possible to bring about a state of affairs that would warrant him in invading the territory of his neighbors.

Nicaraguan Conditions Horrible. But internal conditions in Nicaragua

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BALLINGER AGAIN WINS VINDICATION

ATTORNEY-GENERAL UPHOLDS SECRETARY IN ALL DETAILS.

Contenters Deeply Worried Over President's Letter, Fearing Dismissal Will Follow.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 1.—After an exhaustive study of the charges preferred against Secretary Ballinger, and of official records of the Interior Department bearing upon the various questions at issue, Attorney-General Wickersham has submitted to the President elaborate and detailed legal opinion in which he upholds Ballinger's course in every particular, and expresses the opinion that he should be sustained in his course by the Administration.

This report is understood to be an even stronger indorsement of Ballinger than was President Taft's letter from Beverly, for it goes into great detail, takes up, in plain, every accusation, cites the record with regard to each, and shows wherein Ballinger's course was right. President Taft has gone over this report and approved it, and it is understood may later make it public, in whole or in part.

Wickersham's report, if given out, will set Ballinger right before the country and explain not only the justice but the wisdom of his various acts.

President Taft's letter to Mr. Pinchot instructing him to silence all officials of his bureau who have been inspiring attacks upon Mr. Ballinger is being observed strictly. Incidentally, those who have been prolific in their condemnation of Ballinger are deeply worried over the President's letter, fearing he will follow it with the dismissal of those most culpable—a fear not altogether groundless.

The President, it is understood, is well posted on the whole situation, and his failure to act does not signify his unwillingness to do so. Rather he is determined to do so, and the controversy in his own way and in his own time.

JAIL AWAITS HER RETURN

Mrs. Pankhurst to Start Hunger Strike in British Cells.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—To a cheering crowd of suffragettes, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the British suffragette leader, waved farewell today as she departed on the steamer Tonic for England.

"My stay in America has been pleasing to me throughout," said Mrs. Pankhurst. "It is a matter of much regret, however, that the suffragette movement has not yet reached greater heights. Much credit is due to the good sense of the American women, that they have come to appreciate the cause of woman suffrage as much as true love."

Mrs. Pankhurst will serve a 30-day sentence in an English jail on her return. She declared she and other suffragettes who will also pass 30 days in jail "just would not eat the prison food, but would bring on a hunger strike."

MORE I. W. W. ARRESTED

Spookane Police Refuse to Raise Flag of Truce in Fight.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 1.—"There will be no flag of truce hoisted by us in this I. W. W. struggle," announced Police Chief Sullivan today, following the arrest of 16 more street speakers.

"In the future the police will be aggressive toward these anarchists and will arrest any new leaders the moment they bob up."

FREIGHT TIED UP ALL ALONG LINE

Number Out of Work Estimated at 12,000.

STALLED TRAINS FILL YARDS

Famine in Foodstuffs Threatens Northwest Cities.

FLOUR MILLS SHUT DOWN

Distributing Points Are Isolated From Their Customers—Iron Range Workmen to Number of 10,000 to Lose Work.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 1.—Every line of industry in the Northwest dependent upon the movement of supplies is seriously affected by the strike of the railroad switchmen, which began at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening.

It is estimated that upwards of 12,000 men are idle tonight on account of the strike order and that thousands of freight-handlers and teamsters are losing time because of the freight blockade, while a continuance of the strike for several days will throw additional thousands out of work. The railroad yards in all terminal cities are filled with stalled freight trains and an attempt to move a few by the aid of officers and men drafted as switchmen is making no impression.

Strikebreakers Employed. According to a statement issued today by George R. Slade, general organizer of the Northern Pacific Railway, who is acting in behalf of the managers' committee, the railroads affected by the switchmen's strike will receive a limited amount of freight tomorrow, the first time since the strike order went into effect Tuesday night.

Strikebreakers were imported from the East. It was announced tonight, and more men are coming to take the places of the strikers. Former employees and former switchmen employed in other capacities will be pressed into service. With this working force the railroads hope to be able to relieve the congestion.

Mr. Slade tonight gave out a statement saying that the situation shows improvement and that the railroads tomorrow morning will generally accept less than carload freight for those outlying points to which such freight can now be promptly handled.

Men to Stand Together. President Frank T. Hawley, of the switchmen's union, said he had received a telegram from W. J. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, as the organization had been instructed to act "in line with the established policy of the brotherhood."

"This," Mr. Hawley said, means that members of the brotherhood working in territory affected by the strike will act as members of the switchmen's union, as it is agreed that where members of the two organizations work together the decision of the majority governs.

Latest reports indicate that freight traffic is still demoralized. Business men generally are beginning

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TALE OF KIDNAPING UNFOLDED BY GIRL

FOUND SENSELESS IN CHICAGO, SAYS SHE ESCAPED.

Declares She Was Stolen From Home in Michigan and Held in Convent in East.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Mystery enshrouds the identity of a well-dressed young woman, found unconscious in Lincoln Park, at the foot of Wisconsin street, shortly before 2 P. M. today. The girl, refined-looking and apparently of good family, was found by the Lincoln Park police and rushed to the Columbus Memorial Hospital. On the way to the institution in the police ambulance she recovered consciousness long enough to murmur feebly that her name was Hazel Robinson and that she was 20 years old. Then she again lapsed into unconsciousness.

Later, at the hospital, she recovered herself and declared that her name was Hazel Elizabeth Robertson Dillon, and that her father was an official of the Oregon Short Line. Her mother, she averred, lived in Holland, Mich., and her father in Glenns Ferry, Idaho. She said she had escaped from a convent, injuring herself when she jumped from a train.

Following this declaration, she again subsided into coma. When she again awoke, she continued her remarkable story, maintaining that she had been kidnaped from Holland, Mich., by men whom she believed to be agents of a relative. Her father, she said, is separated from her mother.

She asserts she was at St. Mary's College, which was either in New York or New Jersey, she could not remember which.

ATTORNEY SITS AS COURT

Opposing Lawyers, in Hurry, Agree to Abide by His Decision.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—A unique legal situation developed here today when two attorneys, strenuously contesting a motion in court, agreed to submit it to a fellow attorney in the absence of the judge and abide by his decision.

Judge Galloway, who was holding court here, went to Corvallis this morning, intending to return at noon, but missed the train and came later by automobile. So no judge was present when the hour arrived to argue a motion to quash a summons in a pending divorce case.

Attorney E. S. Martin, of Brownsville, who represented the plaintiff, wished to catch a train, so he and Attorney George W. Wright, representing the defendant, agreed to submit the motion to L. M. Curi, a member of the local bar, who was in the courtroom.

Curi heard the arguments and decided that the motion was well taken. Abiding by the decision, Martin at once began preparations to secure a new order and republish the summons.

CLUB REBUFS GOVERNOR

Objector to "Locker System" Not Welcome Guest at Banquet.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 1.—The Topoka Club, Topeka's most exclusive social organization, by vote of the board of directors, refused today to permit Governor Stubbs to be entertained at the club. Governor Stubbs was scheduled to speak at a banquet to Chief Justice Johnston, to be given tomorrow night by Del Valentine, clerk of the Supreme Court. Mr. Valentine was notified today that the invitation to the Governor must be withdrawn.

Governor Stubbs was formerly a member of the club, but withdrew because the club would not abolish the locker system for keeping liquor at the club-house.

BOROUGH CHIEF ACCUSED

Removal of Bird S. Coler Asked for Misconduct and Waste of Funds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Removal of Bird S. Coler from the presidency of the Borough of Brooklyn is asked of Governor Hughes by the Commissioner of Accounts in a communication accompanying charges against Mr. Coler drawn up today for submission to the Governor.

Incompetency, maladministration and misconduct in office and serious waste of the public funds, are the accusations in the report.

TWO CAPTURED IN BATTLE

Vancouver Constables Make Catch of Longshoremen.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—A daring attempt to steal freight being unloaded from the Weir Line steamer at an early hour this morning and to cache it outside the Canadian Pacific warehouse resulted in a running battle on the waterfront between three constables and three longshoremen.

Two were captured, but the third escaped after a fusillade of shots were sent after him.

M'CREIDIE STARTS EAST

New Washington Congressman and His Wife Are Off for Capital.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Congressman McCreddie, accompanied by his wife, left this morning for Washington, D. C. A large number of their friends assembled at the Northern Pacific station to bid them good-by.

For several weeks Judge and Mrs. McCreddie have been guests at frequent banquets and receptions given by their friends in the city.

SENATORS SCORE WILSON'S REPORT

General Disappointment Expressed.

PERSONAL INQUIRY IS FLAYED

Secretary Saw Little of Idaho Forests, It Is Said.

SHEEPMEN ARE FAVORED

Declaration Is Made That Government Official Failed to Keep in Good Faith, Promise Made to Western Lawmakers.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 1.—There is very general disappointment among Western Senators and Representatives in Congress over the annual report of Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, particularly that feature of the report indicating that boundaries of forest reserves are not to be reduced. During the special session of Congress many of these Western men had conferences with Secretary Wilson, who was then showing signs of independence, and impressed upon him the advisability of eliminating all agricultural lands, and perhaps some of the grazing areas as well, particularly where the latter were almost or entirely void of trees. The Secretary said he would have a detailed examination made of the various reserves in the West, and would give as much of his own time as possible to the investigation of these complaints.

Westerners Were Happy Once. Reassured by the promises made by Secretary Wilson, the Westerners went home, told of the encouragement they had received, and spread the word that all large areas of agricultural lands and

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