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3 DIE WHEN GREAT ICE BRIDGE BREAKS

Niagara Wonder Swept Into Whirlpool.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DROWN

Man Refuses Rescue When He Cannot Save Woman.

YOUTHFUL HERO IS LOST

Lad Could Have Reached Safety if He Had Not Stopped to Give Aid—Firemen of Two Nations Join in Futile Efforts.

NIAGARA FALLS, Feb. 4.—The great ice bridge that has choked the river channel between the cataract and the upper steel arch bridge below the falls for the past three weeks broke from its shoring at noon today and went toward the river, taking with it to their death a man and woman said to be Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Stanton of Toronto, Canada, and Burrell Heacock, 37 years old, of Cleveland, O.

Four other persons were on the ice at the time, but managed to get ashore in safety.

The bridge was considered safe. For weeks the great fields of ice had been coming down the river, piling up against the barriers until it was from 20 to 30 feet thick and under the influence of zero weather the great mass had become anchored firmly to the shore. The jam was about 1000 feet wide and in some places a quarter of a mile in breadth.

For two weeks it had offered safe passage to the boats, and today an immense crowd of excursionists came to view the winter wonder of the river. Had the accident happened an hour later hundreds would have lost their lives, for the crowd was moving into Prospect Park in the elevators that run down the cliff for the purpose of venturing out on the ice.

Man Spurns Rescue.

Somewhere deep in the great whirlpool tonight lies the man, partly identified as Mr. Stanton, who twice put aside his chances of rescue to remain with his terror-stricken wife, and who, in the shadow of death—just at the break in the rapids, spurned assistance for himself and attempted to bind about the woman's body a rope dangling from the lower steel arch bridge.

The lad, Burrell Heacock, had not turned back on the ice to give assistance to the man, also might have made the shore.

On the bridge, when it tore from the shore, besides these three were Monroe Gilbert, of this city; Ignatius Roth, of Cleveland, Heacock's companion; William Hill, an old riverman; William Labond, riverman, and an unidentified Italian.

Women Falls, Exhausted.

Hill's shack was nearest to the American shore. When he heard the grinding and crushing of the ice he ran at top speed toward the Canadian shore, calling to the others to follow him. Labond gave them warning that safety lay in that direction. Gilbert and the Italian followed their lead, but the others became confused. By the time they had regained their composure, the bridge was going fast down the river.

The man and woman started first toward the American shore, but they were stopped by a lane of open water. Back they ran again towards the Canadian side, turned about and made for the American side. When hardly more than 50 yards from the rocky shore, the woman fell on her face, utterly spent.

"I can't go on; I can't go on," she cried. "Let us die here."

Great Ice Field Speeds On.

All the time the great field of ice went on, breasting the terrible outrush of the Niagara Falls Power Company's tunnel outflow, the mightiest current in all the river, without being broken. As the woman fell, the man tried to get her to her feet again and tried to drag her along the ice, calling for assistance to Roth and Heacock. Heacock turned back to the couple and helped support the woman. The act cost him his life.

HOT RACE ON FOR APEX OF MCKINLEY

FAIRBANKS PARTY SETS OUT TO BEAT SCIENTISTS.

Alaskans Declare Honor of Ascending to Summit First Must Be to Residents of Northland.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—In an effort to beat the Parker-Brown-McKinley expedition, traveling from Seward by way of the headwaters of Sustina River and Muldrow Glacier, a party of local men, financed by the Fairbanks Times, will leave here tomorrow morning. Two sled loads of provisions weighing 1500 pounds and hauled by 18 dogs are to be taken over the Kantashna trail to the base of the north slope of the peak where a permanent camp will be established.

The Times party comprises Martin Nash, George S. Lewis, Ralph Cairns and Jack Phillips. They intend to study the most feasible route and make a dash for the summit by March 15.

Professor Parker and Belmont Brown's party have a camp in the same vicinity. Since the Cook climb proved a fake, Lloyd, of Fairbanks, declared he scaled the peak in 1910 and placed a flag at the top. The Parker-Brown party intends to show that no flag is there and so get the honor for themselves.

The Times party was organized to prevent the possible honor of the first ascent going to non-residents of Alaska. Keen interest is manifested here in the race and confidence is expressed that the Times party, who will take scientific instruments and cameras and collect exhaustive data, will win.

WIFE-COLLECTING IS FAD

Brown Has Accompanying Mania for Pianos, Says One Spouse.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The trial of Nelson Brown on the charge of bigamy was continued in Judge McCormick's court yesterday after one of his wives, Mrs. Lura Brown, of Portland, with the consent of the judge and the District Attorney, swore to an insanity complaint against him.

According to a statement she made to Secretary of the Court Gould, Brown has a habit of collecting wives and pianos. He has eight wives and seven pianos, she said.

Mrs. Lura Brown had not lived with her husband for five years when he was arrested on the bigamy charge. Brown is in the County Hospital.

CURRY GETS FIRST AUTO

State Issues Registry Number to Gold Beach Owner.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The automobile has finally penetrated into Curry County and, according to the records in the automobile department of the Secretary of State's office, Delmer Colgrove, of Gold Beach, who has just sent in his application for an automobile license, is the first one to take out automobile registration in that county.

Employees in the registry department are confident that he is the first person in that county to own an automobile.

MEXICO TO RETURN TO DIAZ METHODS

Agitators Will Be Punished Swiftly.

OFFICIAL POLICY IS DECIDED

Drastic Cure Is Proposed for Revolutionary Disease.

JUAREZ REVOLT MYSTERY

Madero Government Does not Believe Mutiny of Garrisonians in North Had Any Connection With Other Uprisings.

TROOPS TO BE HELD READY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—To meet any emergency that may arise in connection with the unsettled conditions in Northern Mexico, General Leonard A. Wood, chief of staff of the United States Army, today issued orders to commanders of several Army posts in various parts of the country to hold their troops in readiness for duty along the border.

General Duncan, in command of the Department of Texas, was instructed to "use his own judgment" in moving the troops under him in enforcing neutrality laws or strengthening the various garrisons along the international line.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 4.—Without blare of trumpets and without official proclamation, the Federal government proposes to employ the drastic methods of Diaz in restoring peace. Immediate application of the new policy will be the nation's only appraisal of it. This is the substance of a statement by a Cabinet Minister today. Swift punishment is to be the portion of all agitators who can be reached, whether of gun or pencil. A few newspaper writers will be deported, it is said, under that provision of the constitution which provides for the expulsion of undesirable. Public parades and street orations are to be prohibited in cases where the purpose is in any manner connected with the political affairs.

NATIONAL DISEASE DIAGNOSED.

This prescription is in accordance with the government's diagnosis of the revolutionary disease that has broken out in so many parts of the country. Official figures place the loss in death, both north and south, since January 25, as follows:

Federal, 34; rebels, from 222 to 272, and non-combatants, 10. Unofficial reports, apparently well founded, add to these figures 15 federal dead and 45 rebel dead. Just how many men now are in arms (Continued on Page 2.)

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3 TRANSPORTS FOUNDER

Reports of Disaster to Italian Vessels Reach Constantinople.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—A Constantinople dispatch to the Daily Chronicle says it is announced officially that three Italian transports have foundered off Suss, Tormine and Tobruk.

No confirmation of this report has been received here from other sources.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—The French government has sent telegrams to Constantinople and Obok, French Somaliland, in quest of information regarding the activities of the Italian warships in the Red Sea, especially with reference to the bombardment around Hodeida.

TRIPOLI, Feb. 4.—General Canova, the Italian commander, left here today for Italy. General Frugones is now in supreme command of the troops.

FAMOUS AFFINITIES IN SUICIDE PACT

Mrs. Suydam-Noble and Husband Dead.

TWO, EMBRACED, INHALE GAS

Ex-Wife of Millionaire and Plumber End Romance.

DESERTED NABOB SILENT

Rich New Yorker From Whose Magnificent Home Woman Fled to Join Soul Mate, so Unnerved He Drives Auto Over Man.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Double suicide today ended the sensational romance of the former wife of Walter L. Suydam and Frederick Noble, the young plumber for the love of whom Mrs. Suydam ran away from her millionaire husband and married. The bodies of Noble and his bride of a month were found in their New York apartment today. The couple had been asphyxiated by gas.

The suicide pact, the discovery of its results by Mrs. John J. White, of Washington, D. C., mother of Mrs. Noble, and other features of the case brought startling developments.

Daughter Flees House.

Mrs. White, who has an apartment on Lexington avenue, had her daughter as a visitor last night, and supposed the daughter would remain over night. When, however, Mrs. White awoke this morning she found that her daughter had fled the house and she hurried immediately to the daughter's apartment on West Twelfth street.

Two policemen were summoned and they forced an entrance. The entrance door had been barricaded with chairs and tables and the doors of all the rooms of the large apartment were locked and barricaded.

Odor of Gas Detected.

When the party forced its way to the dining-room, the odor of gas was detected and the mother became hysterical. Breaking through the next door, which led into the kitchen, the party found Noble and his wife lying dead on the floor, their heads almost inside the oven of the gas range. They were partly undressed and clasped in each other's arms. A great volume of gas was escaping from five burners of the range and the oven jets also were turned on.

The woman was clad in a silk kimono. She lay with Noble's left arm encircling her body, their faces being close together. Every window in the apartment was closed and bolted. Mrs. White, who was the first to see (Continued on Page 5.)

WOMEN FIGHT OVER DYING BUTTERFLY

TUSSLE CAUSES SENSATION IN FASHIONABLE INN.

Mrs. Clement Shakes Mrs. Barker, Who Would Impale Specimen. Little Son Acts as Referee.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Over the quivering body of a dying butterfly Mrs. Henry Baker and Mrs. Ada D. Clement, both well known matrons of Oakland, engaged in a hand-to-hand tussle in a room and hallway at the Key Route Inn today, which created a sensation among the guests and resulted in the calling of the police. The trouble arose when Mrs. Baker, wife of a proprietor of the fashionable hotel, insisted upon her right to impale an unusual specimen of genus Lepidoptera with a pin, to the distress of the more merciful Mrs. Clement.

A struggle ensued in which Mrs. Clement grasped Mrs. Baker by the shoulders and shook her forcibly. According to Cecil Clement, 7-year-old son of Mrs. Clement, his mother showed cleverness and good staying powers in the encounter, boxing gracefully. The youth acted as referee and told of the experience with unquenchable glee afterwards.

Sobbing, Mrs. Clement told her story at the police station later. She did not succeed in getting a warrant for Mrs. Baker's arrest, but engaged an attorney to prosecute her case. Mrs. Baker says that she merely shook Mrs. Clement off in the struggle and that she did not strike her.

WOMEN ASSESSORS NAMED

Spokane Official Aims to Get Levy on Feminine Adornments.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Seven women will be appointed deputies by Glenn R. Creighton, Assessor of Spokane County, and he expects these assistants to make a cleanup of property hitherto unrevealed. He sees no reason why, when there are women jurors, bailiffs, policemen and clerks, there should not be women assessors and will assign them to the sections where the more wealthy live, so they can get on the taxrolls at proper valuation the diamonds and other jewelry, laces, rugs and expensive frippery of their sisters.

That these have been overlooked in large part by the male assessors seems to be the belief of the Assessor. The deputies who begin work March 1 for one month are: Mrs. H. F. Golden, Mrs. Mary Welsh, Mrs. Della B. Hershfield, Mrs. Lydia M. Donaldson, Mrs. Margaret Plough, Mrs. Vanness and Mrs. Margaret McKernan.

POLICE CHARGE 'WORKERS'

Mounted Officers Break Up Street Meeting at Vancouver, B. C.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 4.—A squad of 50 mounted police charged a group of 500 Industrial Workers of the World, who gathered at the Powell-street grounds, a public square, to make a free speech demonstration, and broke up the meeting today.

Four arrests were made. Several thousand people watched the attack on the Industrialists, at a safe distance.

DR. HAZZARD GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Lights Go Out as Clerk Reads Verdict.

JURORS AGREE IN 20 HOURS

"Starvation Doctor" Guilty of Death of Patient.

ONE FORMAL BALLOT CAST

Convicted Woman Bites Lip as Verdict Is Read—Later She Is Victims in Denunciation of What She Terms Persecution.

SEATTLE, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Linda Burfield Hazzard, the Seattle "starvation doctor," was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury in the Kitsap County Court at Port Orchard tonight for having caused the death by starvation of Miss Claire Williamson, an English heiress who underwent Mrs. Hazzard's fasting treatment.

As the signed verdict was handed to the Clerk to be read, Mrs. Hazzard bit her lips tightly, but showed no other emotion.

Just as the Clerk began to read the verdict, the private gas plant that supplied the courtroom failed and the room was left in darkness. Matches were burned to enable the Clerk to finish the reading.

Five Want Murder Verdict.

The penalty for manslaughter in this state is an indeterminate term in the penitentiary of from one to 20 years. The court has not set the day for passing sentence.

The jury was out more than 20 hours. Only one formal ballot was taken, that upon which the verdict of guilty was returned. Several preliminary verbal ballots were used until the jurors agreed. On the first of these five voted for murder in the first degree, four for murder in the second degree, one for manslaughter and two refused to express an opinion. Those who voted for a first-degree verdict stood firm until the last, when they too agreed to manslaughter.

Soon after 5 o'clock, Judge John B. Yakey was notified that the jury had reached an agreement. He called a session of court immediately, and as soon as all the interested parties were in the room the jury was sent for.

Accused Is Last to Enter.

Mrs. Hazzard was the last person to enter the courtroom before the verdict was read. She was accompanied by her husband and a number of close friends, Miss Dorothea Williamson, sister of the woman for whose murder Mrs. Hazzard was tried, went to Tacoma early in the afternoon and was not in court when the verdict was read at 6:35 o'clock.

Counsel for Mrs. Hazzard gave notice of an appeal and asked that the bond be fixed at \$5000. The state's representatives objected, and the court fixed the bond at \$10,000. Mrs. Hazzard was remanded after 5 o'clock to the custody of the Sheriff until a new bond is given. The arguments were made in absolute darkness.

Woman's Abuse Sharp.

Mrs. Hazzard did not comment on the verdict in court, but after she left the building in the custody of the Sheriff she burst into a storm of denunciation of the persecution she alleged she had been subjected to by members of the medical profession.

E. D. Karr, of counsel for Mrs. Hazzard, said that he would rather have a verdict of manslaughter than a disagreement, as it gave the defense an opportunity to try the many disputed legal points involved before the Supreme Court. In arguing for a low bond, Mr. Karr declared that Mrs. Hazzard is at the end of her resources.

Frank H. Kelley, special prosecutor, of Tacoma, and Thomas Stevenson, Prosecuting Attorney of Kitsap County, expressed great satisfaction with the verdict.

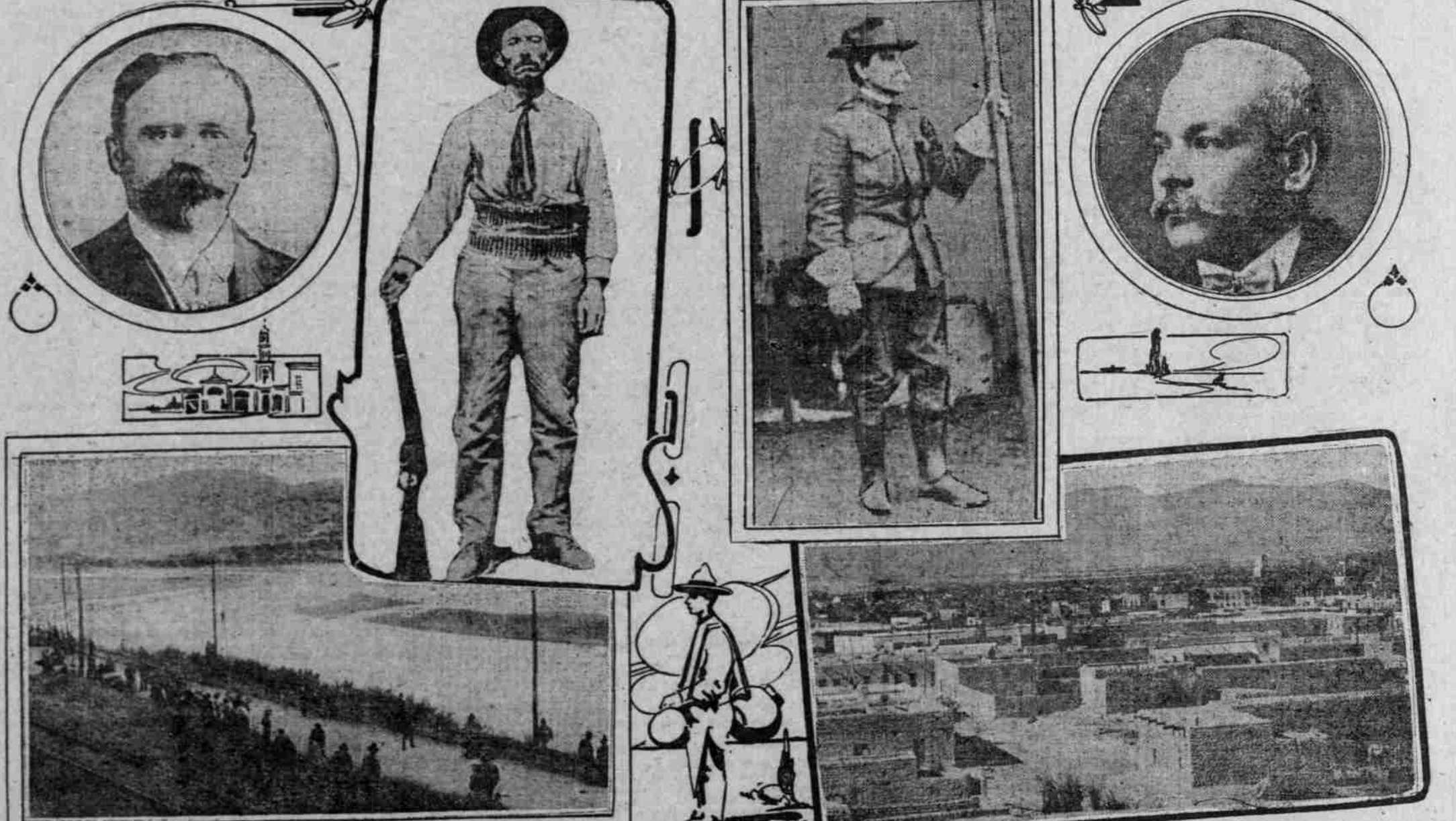
Mrs. Linda Burfield Hazzard was arrested August 5, 1911, on a charge of murder in the first degree, on an information filed in Kitsap County, the complaining witness being Miss Dorothea Williamson, aged 27 years, who alleged that her sister, Claire Williamson, aged 32, was starved to death by Mrs. Hazzard.

Williamson Women Wealthy.

The Williamsons were English women of means who were on a tour around the world and who consulted Mrs. Hazzard concerning their health. Mrs. Hazzard soon had both the women in her starvation sanitarium at Olalla, where, on a diet of orange juice and asparagus broth, Clair died May 5, 1911, and Dorothea was wasted to a skeleton.

After Clair's death, Mrs. Hazzard obtained the appointment of herself as guardian of Dorothea, by alleging that the latter was of infirm mind. She also applied for appointment as an administratrix of the estate of Claire Williamson.

The plight of Dorothea came to the knowledge of C. E. L. Agassiz, British Vice-Consul at Tacoma, with the result that Miss Dorothea was declared of sound mind and her guardian removed. Mrs. Hazzard's application for letters (Continued on Page 2.)



ABOVE, PRESIDENT MADERO, OF MEXICO, WHOSE GOVERNMENT IS ASSAILED; GENERAL FASCUAL ORRAGA, WHO HAS UNDERTAKEN MISSION OF PACIFICATION FOR MADERO; COLONEL WENDELL, COMMANDER OF AMERICAN FORCES ON BORDER, WHO HAS BEEN ORDERED TO PERMIT NO FIRING ACROSS LINE; VASQUEZ GOMEZ, PROCLAIMED BY THE MEXICAN PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF NORTHERN MEXICO—BELOW, RIO GRANDE RIVER FROM EL PASO SIDE, LOOKING TOWARD JUAREZ, AND GENERAL VIEW OF JUAREZ (COPYRIGHT BY AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION).