

## MEXICAN AFFAIR IS CONSIDERED GRAVE

### Administration Makes No Secret of Fears.

## BACON REBUKES MINORITY

### Clark Resolution Declared Openly "Disrespectful."

## WILSON STILL IS HOPEFUL

### Recognition of Constitutionalists Regarded as Certain if Huerta Carries Out Threat to Turn Deaf Ear to Lind.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The American Government was confronted tonight by what official Washington regarded as the most delicate situation in its relations with Mexico that has yet developed since armed revolution disturbed the peace of the southern republic.

The threatened rebuff from the Huerta administration to the mission of John Lind, personal representative of President Wilson, en route to Mexico City to expound the hopes of the United States for a suspension of hostilities and an orderly constitutional election in Mexico, drew from Senator Bacon, chairman of the foreign relations committee, a declaration on the floor of the Senate today that the present situation was "the gravest in years, much graver than confronted us when the Cuban question was here."

Wilson Shows Displeasure.

The President realizes the gravity of the situation and manifested today his displeasure at the attitude of some members of the minority party in Congress, telling callers that he believed certain Republicans would make it difficult for him to handle the situation in a peaceful manner.

On this account Mr. Wilson justified tonight the strong and emphatic language of Senator Bacon, who in a debate in the Senate on the resolution of the House of Representatives, Republican, demanding a general investigation of Mexican affairs, had referred to the resolution as openly "disrespectful" and "flouting in the face of the President" while the latter was endeavoring to put into effect a peace policy. The resolution finally was forced out of the day's calendar.

Intervention Not Demanded.

President Wilson was unmoved by advices from Mexico City depicting the Huerta government as inimical to Mr. Lind's mission. He let it be known, too, that so far as he was able to learn there was not the slightest demand from the American people for intervention, and declined to discuss any alternatives that might be used in the event that the efforts of the American Government to help restore peace in Mexico were rejected.

The President is confidently hopeful that a peaceful solution of the Mexican trouble can be effected. He made it plain to callers that until advised officially to the contrary he would continue to regard as incredible the statements issued on behalf of President Huerta declaring Mr. Lind's presence in Mexico undesirable. While there is little disposition to doubt the accuracy of the news dispatches describing the attitude of the Huerta government against Mr. Lind, there is hope among administration officials that on mature reflection no such intimations will be conveyed formally to the Washington authorities.

Credentials Omitted Purposely.

The President is known to hold the opinion that the Huerta administration would make a vital mistake to refuse at this stage to receive an envoy from the Chief Executive of the United States, even though the emissary lacked diplomatic status. Mr. Lind, it was pointed out, purposely was sent without credentials, so that he might deal freely with persons of all sections in Mexico who might inquire as to the views of the Washington Administration.

It is expected an examination of the purposes of the Washington Government in sending Mr. Lind to Mexico will be made by the House of Representatives. It is known that Mr. Lind is expected to convey the earnest wish of the United States Government for a restoration of peace in Mexico and will make his representations largely through the charge d'affaires of the American embassy in Washington. Officials would be pleased, nevertheless, if he had the opportunity to talk with President Huerta and outline in person the friendly aims of the American Government toward Mexico.

Debate Still Lacking.

Should the efforts of the United States be balked by open remonstrance against Mr. Lind's visit, various suggestions for proceeding came from officials, but none of them reflected any definite plan. It was pointed out that if the Huerta government refused to deal with a representative of the President of the United States or turned a deaf ear to his representation recognition of the belligerency of the Constitutionalists should follow as a natural consequence.

The thing that hitherto has blocked any movement to recognition of the Constitutionalists has been the realization that the American Government by such action would forfeit its right to claims for damages against the Huerta

## PROUD LABORER HEIR TO MILLIONS

### PRINCELY ANNUITY REFUSED FOR 27 YEARS.

### German Doing Menial Work Will Return to America From Danzig After Collecting \$1,750,000.

OMAHA, Aug. 7.—Frederick Groop von Alvensleben, for 27 years a day laborer, today received notice from the German consulate at Chicago that he had fallen heir to an estate in Germany valued at \$1,750,000.

Von Alvensleben became estranged from his family and came to America nearly 20 years ago. He said today that he has known he would some day receive a large inheritance, but admitted that his pride had prevented him for 27 years from accepting an annuity of \$20,000, which has been accumulating in a private bank at Danzig, Germany.

When informed of his good fortune, Von Alvensleben was employed at menial labor a few miles from the city. He engaged steamer passage today and purchased his transportation to Danzig.

Von Alvensleben says that all his friends are in America, and that he will return when he comes into full possession of the estate.

## LAW LIBRARY TAX KILLED

### Judge McGinn Says Clients Don't Have to Educate Lawyers.

Circuit Judge McGinn declared illegal yesterday the law which requires the plaintiff in a suit or action to contribute \$1 towards the support of the Multnomah Law Library Association, which maintains a reference library for lawyers in the Courthouse, and a defendant to contribute 50 cents for the same purpose. The filing fee for a plaintiff is \$10 and for a defendant \$5, but they are charged \$11 and \$5.50, respectively, the difference going to the library association.

Judge McGinn denounced this arrangement as unjust. The question came up in passing upon the cost bill in the case of Edythe Hillenbrand against Frank A. Clark, proprietor of the Clark Hotel, in which the plaintiff recovered \$145 for the loss of articles from her room after she had entrusted the keys to the clerk. The judge struck the extra dollar out of the bill before approving it.

He declared it a "burning shame that clients should have to pay for educating their lawyers."

## EAT APPLES, IS SLOGAN

### Shippers to Raise Funds for Campaign by Stamp Sales.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 7.—The Department of Agriculture of Ontario, Canada, won the President's cup today for the best display at the apple show conducted in conjunction with the International Apple Shippers' Association. The convention will close Friday, and the next convention will be held in Boston and the 1915 convention in San Francisco.

The advertising campaign to be conducted by the association to educate people to eat more apples was explained today by U. Grant Border, the revenue for the campaign is to be gained, he said, through the sales of stamps to the shippers. The following officers were elected today: President, R. H. Pennington, Evansville, Ind.; vice-president, E. H. W. G. Hearty, Boston; treasurer, W. M. French, New York; secretary, R. G. Phillips, Rochester, N. Y.

## GUTHRIE MAY BUY IN COOS

### English Corporation Believed to Be After Kinney Properties.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—That the Balfour-Guthrie Company is behind the syndicate negotiating for the Kinney properties, embracing about 1400 acres adjacent to Marshfield and North Bend, is indicated by the announcement that F. R. Waite, holder of the largest claims against Major Kinney, has assigned his claims to the company.

The Kinney properties last week passed into the hands of Judge Waiters as receiver and it is presumed that the English syndicate, represented by Judge Bronough and W. J. Whissey, of Portland, is planning to acquire the property at receiver's sale.

## BRIDGES GO OUT IN STORM

### Dixie Creek, Near Prairie City, Does Damage to Ranches.

PRAIRIE CITY, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—During a violent electrical storm here today a water spout struck the headwaters of Dixie Creek a few miles north of town and in a few minutes the small stream was transformed into a mountain torrent, carrying everything before it.

Culverts and bridges were swept away. Several ranches and the public highway along the stream were damaged.

## FRANCE ENLARGES ARMY

### 210,000 Men Added by Bill Changing Conditions of Service.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—The French Senate adopted today, by 254 votes to 97, the bill introducing three-year active terms in the French army. The bill was passed by the Chamber of Deputies on July 19.

The measure adds 210,000 men to the peace footing of the French army, bringing it up to 500,000. Service in future will begin at the age of 20 instead of 21.

## SALVADOR SIGNS TREATY OF PEACE

### Little Nation Accepts Bryan's Plan.

## FULL TEXT IS PUBLISHED

### Year Is Given for Belligerent Ardor to Cool.

## ARBITRATION IS PROVIDED

### Nations Agree, Pending Discussion of Differences, Not to Increase War Programmes Unless Third, Four Menaces.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The first of the international peace treaties embodying Secretary Bryan's plans was actually signed today. It is between the United States and Salvador, and soon will be sent to the Senate for ratification.

The terms of this convention practically are identical with the details of the international peace proposal submitted by Secretary Bryan to the nations of the world.

Twenty-six countries, including most of the great powers, already have approved the plan in principle, and it is probable that the signing of other treaties will follow in rapid succession. All will be drafted on the same general lines.

## General Peace Advanced.

The text of the treaty follows: "The Republics of Salvador and the United States of America, being desirous to strengthen the bonds of amity that bind them together, and also to advance the cause of general peace, have resolved to enter into a treaty for that purpose, and to that end have appointed as their plenipotentiaries the President of Salvador, Senor Don Federico Mejia, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Salvador to the United States, and the President of the United States, and the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found to be in proper form, have agreed on the following articles:

"Article 1. The high contracting parties agree that all disputes between them, of every nature whatsoever, which diplomacy shall fail to adjust, shall be submitted for investigation and report to an international commission to be constituted in the manner prescribed in the next succeeding article, and they agree not to declare war or begin hostilities during such investigation and report.

"Five Arbitrators Provided.

"Article 2. The international commission (Concluded on page 3.)

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## CHILEAN STEAMER LOST

### All but One of Crew Drowned in Wreck Off Cape Carranza.

VALPARAISO, Chile, Aug. 7.—The Chilean steamer Isadora was wrecked today off Cape Carranza and all the members of her crew except one were drowned. The steamer is a total loss. The Isadora was a coasting vessel of 729 tons and was owned in Valparaiso. She was built in Dundee in 1879.

## SECRECY HELD NOT FEATURE OF CASE

### Court Ruling Arrests Defense of Diggs.

## IMMORALITY WHOLE QUESTION

### Status of Women No Excuse for Unlawful Act.

## FEDERAL CASE OUTLINED

### Sacramento Banker Identifies Writing of Defendant in Note to Girl Telling Her to Deny Law Was Violated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 7.—Taking of testimony was begun today in the first of the Diggs-Caminetti trials, that of Maury E. Diggs, former State Architect.

The case was called Tuesday morning in the United States District Court on an indictment charging violation of the Mann act—popularly known as the white slave law—and ten hours later the case had fallen into the full swing of serious business.

Just before court adjourned Judge Van Fleet gave a ruling that struck at the essentials of the case. F. J. Peck, a real estate dealer from Reno, where Diggs and E. Drew Caminetti, with Marsha Warrington and Lola Norris, were arrested, was on the stand. The defense sought to show the bungalow they occupied during their stay in Reno had been rented with no view to sequestration and concealment.

## Secrecy Not Point in Case.

"I don't see," interposed Judge Van Fleet, "how it can make any difference to this case if they went there openly or secretly and clandestinely. Unless the Government can show that they went there for the purposes prohibited by the Mann white slave traffic act, then the case of the Government falls. Even if the women were public prostitutes, if the defendants procured their transportation and accompanied them there for immoral purposes, the case of the Government would stand."

Theodore Roche, of special counsel for the Government, set forth in the closing hour of the afternoon sitting that the prosecution would attempt to prove:

1. That Marsha Warrington and Lola Norris, one 20 years old and the other 18, had been frightened by Diggs and Caminetti, married men, with children, into leaving Sacramento, lest a scandal and criminal prosecutions follow.
2. That marriage had been procured after the two husbands had divorced their wives.
3. That Caminetti raised the money (Concluded on page 2.)

## SALEM WITHOUT EXECUTIVE HEAD

### MAYOR ABSENT AND NONE MAY ACT IN HIS STEAD.

### Action Due to Council Ignoring Appointment on Former Occasion and Lively Time Expected.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—Salem, for the first time in its history as a municipality, is Mayorless. It will continue to be without a legal head until the Council meets or Mayor Steeves comes home.

Councilman Rigdon, who has made a study of the city ordinances, says there can be no Acting Mayor until the City Council meets in regular or special session. He declares there is doubt even of a member of the City Council acting as Mayor at a special or postponed meeting of that body.

That there will be a lively time at the next meeting of the Council is assured, Mayor Steeves having declared that he was "punched" by the board recently when he left the city. The Mayor appointed, Councilman Rigdon Acting Mayor, but the Council paid no attention to Mr. Rigdon, and elected another man Acting Mayor. This aroused Mr. Rigdon's ire and he declared he would not attend another meeting until the Council apologized to him.

When the Mayor left the city a few days ago did not name anyone to act for him during his absence, and it is declared the Council cannot name an Acting Mayor.

## GONZAGA HAS NEW HEAD

### Father Brogan, Football Star, University President in Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—Father James M. Brogan, today was announced as the new president of Gonzaga University. Father Brogan is the first student of Gonzaga to become its president. He studied there during 1892 and 1893. Old football players will remember his playing in the lineup of the school.

Father Brogan was born in Ireland. He made his undergraduate studies in New York, completing them at Gonzaga. He was professor in the old Gonzaga College from 1895 to 1898. He made his philosophical studies partly in Montana, at the St. Ignatius Mission. He taught in Seattle College from 1891 to 1893 and made his four years of theology in the Jesuit House of Studies, Montreal, Canada. Father Louis Taelman, for four years president of Gonzaga, has been appointed superior to the Crow Mission in Eastern Montana.

Father Brogan is the new president comes from the superior general of the Society of Jesuits, in Rome.

## FIREMEN RESCUE WOMEN

### Scantily-Clothed Guests of Hotel Are Taken From Windows.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—Firemen rescued nearly a dozen women from windows of the Aloha Hotel during a fire here early today. Most of the women were in night-dresses. One man was overcome by the smoke, but revived.

The loss was \$4000, of which \$2500 was on the building, a two-story wooden structure. Seven rooms of the hotel were gutted. The flames were confined to the rear of the structure.

Smoke had almost overcome the women when they appeared at windows and appealed for help.

The field notion store, under the hotel, was damaged. The losses are covered by insurance.

## OIL STOVE FATAL TO THREE

### Explosion While Baby's Food Is Being Warmed Destroys House.

STRATHMORE, Alberta, Aug. 7.—An oil stove on which food was being warmed for a baby exploded in a farmhouse near here today and cost the lives of three persons.

The dead are: W. Gillingswater, 28 years old, chief clerk in the Canadian Pacific Railway, department of irrigation, at Strathmore; Mrs. W. Gillingswater, his wife, and an infant child.

The fire spread rapidly and it is believed the couple met death while attempting to save their child, which was sleeping near the stove at the time of the explosion. The three charred bodies were found beneath the debris.

## LIFEBOAT BIDS OPENED

### Wilson Bros., of Astoria, Submit Prices to Government.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 7.—Bids were opened by the Secretary of the Treasury today for supplying three self-lighting and self-bailing lifeboats for service at Astoria, and seven for New York City. The seven bids submitted included one from Wilson Bros., of Astoria, for \$7250, the boats to be delivered at Astoria, and \$2000 delivered at New York. The lowest bid was from the Tuscott Pierce Engine Co., of St. Joseph, Mich., it being \$6435 a boat.

## DRY LANDS DESIGNATED

### Department Opens 412,000 Acres in Oregon to 320-Acre Entries.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 7.—The Interior Department has designated 412,000 acres in the dryer eastern portion of Oregon for entry in 320-acre homesteads insofar as they are not already entered, reserved or otherwise by law unavailable.

These lands have been determined to be non-irrigable in character as a result of field investigations by the Geological Survey and through the compilation of information already existing in the files of the survey and of the General Land Office.

## DIAZ, AT ASHLAND, GUARDS HIS WORDS

### Purpose to Run for President Admitted.

## I AM LOGICAL MAN, HE SAYS

### No Peace Until Election, Is His Prediction.

## JAPANESE TOPIC EVADED

### Report That He Purposes to Promote Mexican-Japanese Alliance Is Denied—Party to Arrive in Portland Today.

ASHLAND, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—That he is the only logical candidate for the Presidency of Mexico at the general elections in October, was the assertion of General Felix Diaz on the station platform, while waiting for his train to change engines here this afternoon.

General Diaz, with a small party of followers, is on his way to Vancouver, B. C., whence they will sail for Japan on what, Diaz says, is a mission of peace.

"I am the only person who can reconcile the contending factions in the coming elections," said the nephew of the ex-dictator of the southern republic. "I will be the candidate of the new Liberal Democratic party."

General Diaz made it plainly evident that he believed there could be no improvement in the situation in Mexico until after the coming election.

"What about your mission to Japan?" was asked.

"It is friendly," declared the General. "It has nothing to do with the alleged Mexican-Japanese pact. That is merely a wild rumor, an exaggeration."

General Diaz refused flatly to discuss relations between the Huerta government and the United States.

## Party Has Special Pullman.

The Pullman "Larkspur" was reserved for the Diaz party, which included, in addition to the General and Madame Diaz, Senorita Maria Obregon, Jose Romero, first secretary; Fidencio Hernandez, second secretary; Victor Manuel Valdez, chief secretary, and other attaches, among them being Captain Mendoza and Lieutenant Del Rio, military aides.

General Diaz and several other men of the party alighted when the train stopped. They strolled about the platform, the General and Lieutenant Del Rio registered at the exhibit building as hailing from Mexico City. Diaz speaks fair English and writes a bold hand, but this cannot be said of several other members of his party. Some of them conversed in gestures, and, as a last resort, Charles Day, operator at the train dispatcher's office, was summoned as interpreter.

General Diaz evaded any direct reference to international complications between the United States and Mexico.

## Party Changes Itinerary.

Jose Ramon, private secretary and confidential adviser, is near to General Diaz, and the two are inseparable. Ramon watches every movement of his chief.

Rumors have it that there is a reason for the several changes in the party's itinerary. The Mexicans were scheduled to arrive in Portland Saturday afternoon instead of Friday morning, and they left San Francisco Wednesday night instead of Tuesday night, as at first announced.

"At Los Angeles the party was considerably larger than the one which arrived at San Francisco, and it is said, the present following of General Diaz will be somewhat reduced before the date of sailing for the Orient."

## POLICE TO GUARD FELIX DIAZ

### Mexicans Engage Fleet of Taxicabs and Royal Suite in Portland.

General Felix Diaz will arrive here on Southern Pacific train No. 15 at 7:20 this morning and probably will remain in Portland two or three days. He has taken passage on board the Canadian Pacific liner, Empress of Russia, which sails from Vancouver, B. C., next Wednesday.

General Diaz has engaged the royal suite at the Multnomah Hotel for himself, his wife and the members of his immediate party. Several rooms on the second floor of the hotel have been reserved for his aides.

Captain Riley has detailed a number of policemen to be at the Union Station when the Diaz train arrives. The General has not requested any special protection.

Three fast taxicabs have been hired for use by the Diaz party. They will convey the General and his party from the station to the hotel and will be at their disposal throughout the day. The General is traveling in an unofficial capacity and does not want to be accorded any formal recognition by Portland authorities. He has advised that he wants no publicity given his movements.

## 17 Drown on Way to Kaiser's Yacht.

### SWINEMUEDE, Germany, Aug. 7.—Seventeen persons were drowned here today by the capsizing of a sailing boat fitted with an auxiliary motor. The boat was hit by a squall while proceeding to inspect Emperor William's yacht Hohenzollern. Five persons were rescued.

