

MEDIATORS BEGIN TASK CONFIDENTLY

Huerta Rumor, Though Denied, Encourages.

RETIREMENT IS COUNTED ON

Reported Announcement Is "Merely Premature."

PROCEDURE IS AGREED ON

Opening Day Given to Preliminaries and to Presentation of Views of Mediators to Representatives of America.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., May 20.—Marking a new era in the relations of the nations of the Western hemisphere...

Confidence in the amicable settlement not only of the differences which have arisen between the United States and the Huerta government...

Mexicans Have Full Powers. A distorted dispatch from Mexico City to the effect that General Huerta was ready to retire...

Authentic advices through diplomatic sources several days ago said that the Mexican commissioners were clothed with full power to act...

Report "Merely Premature."

The attitude of all the Mexicans in attendance upon the diplomatic council was similar to that displayed when they were informed in New York...

It was indicated in statements made here that if an announcement of willingness to retire comes from Huerta in the near future it would be welcomed...

Carranza's Aid Hoped For.

It was argued also that with Huerta out the mediators might entertain hope that Carranza and his constitutionalist followers would be brought into the conference...

Hopeful Message Received.

The Brazilian Ambassador received today a message from the Brazilian Minister in Mexico City couched in the most hopeful terms...

Delicates Friendly and Cordial.

The sentiment of disinterestedness which the Mexican commissioners expressed in their informal talks was (concluded on Page 2.)

DAY IS HOTTEST MAY 20 SINCE '75

TEMPERATURE AT 4 O'CLOCK P. M. IS 86 DEGREES.

May 13, of This Year, Is Still 1914 Champion With a Thermometer Reading of 87 Degrees.

In all the 39 years since 1875 that temperatures have been officially registered in Portland only one 20th day...

However, yesterday was declared by nearly all Portlanders to be at least as hot as the 20th of May, if not too much so...

The hourly temperatures yesterday were: 5 o'clock, 76; 6 o'clock, 76; 7 o'clock, 76; 8 o'clock, 76; 9 o'clock, 76; 10 o'clock, 76; 11 o'clock, 76.

The maximum temperature Tuesday was only 76 degrees, the jump for the 24 hours being a full 10 degrees.

MISS WILSON ADVERTISED

President's Daughter Sings for Talking Machine Concern.

OREGONIAN NEWS-BUREAU, Washington, May 20.—The name and picture of Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson, daughter of the President...

PARTY SNUBS EMPEROR

German Socialists Openly Disrespectful in Parliament.

BERLIN, May 20.—Confusion and uproar marked today the closing session of the German Imperial Parliament...

OREGONIAN AGENT WEDS

Friends of L. M. Jones Scatter Rice Near Office in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 20.—(Special)—L. M. Jones, local agent for The Oregonian, and Miss Florence Biled, of Portland, were married at 8 o'clock...

CHILD GETS FREE TRIP

Centralia Boy Carried to Aberdeen When His Playhouse Moves.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 20.—(Special)—Going for play into a passenger car of the Northern Pacific Railway, a child named Centralia...

COUNTRY DEFEATS ROADS

Cool County Bonds Lose at Special Election, 1919 to 2082.

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 20.—(Special)—Good road bonds were defeated in the country districts at the special election in this county...

FALLING HAILSTONES KILL

Sixteen Lives Lost in Tornado That Sweeps Mexican Town.

MUZQUIZ, Coahuila, Mex., May 20.—Sixteen lives were lost in a tornado which swept this town yesterday...

ALDRICH NAMED IN SALE OF TROLLEYS

Mellen and Senator Fostered Deal.

INVESTMENTS ARE DEFENDED

Price High but Property Valuable, Says Witness.

RECENT LEASES ARE CITED

Further Admiration for J. P. Morgan as "Master Mind" of Railroad Situation Is Expressed.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—That ex-Senator Aldrich was primarily instrumental in the sale of the Rhode Island trolley system...

In resuming the stand Mr. Mellen further emphasized the dominant control of the late J. Pierpont Morgan not only of the properties of the New Haven & Hartford Railroad...

Mr. Mellen admitted frankly that neither he nor any of his directors had the temerity openly to oppose Mr. Morgan's plans, although, he said, he sometimes disagreed with him.

Even in the acquisition by the New Haven of the West Chester property, into which millions of dollars vanished as in thin air, Mr. Mellen asserted he did not approve of the purchase...

EXCESSIVE PRICE ADMITTED.

Acquisition by the New Haven of trolley lines in Connecticut and Rhode Island occupied much attention at today's proceedings. Mr. Mellen conceded that some of the properties had been purchased at too high a price...

REBATE TRUE BILLS FOUND

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T. R. DONS POLITICAL ARMOR FOR FIGHT

No Time Lost in Drawing Lines of Battle.

THIRD PARTY LEADERS GATHER

Colonel Prepares for One of Hardest Years of Career.

TRIP TO COAST IN PLANS

Roosevelt May Reach Pacific Shore in September—Residents of Oyster Bay to Give Distinguished Resident Fete Today.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., May 20.—On the first day after his return from South America, Theodore Roosevelt got back into touch with the political situation...

A large part of the day Colonel Roosevelt passed in conference with George W. Perkins, of New York, chairman of the executive committee of the Progressive National Committee...

RAILWAY HURRIES APOLOGY

Oregon Short Line Promises Changed Service Will Resume.

SALEM, Or., May 20.—(Special)—While the Oregon Short Line has violated an order of the State Railroad Commission relative to the schedule of trains between Vale and Brogan, the railroad has assured the commission that the violation was unintentional and the schedule would be corrected at once...

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BATTLESHIP AIDS WRECKED VESSEL

REFUGEES RETURNING TO TAMPICO MEET WITH MISFAP.

Norwegian Steamer Goes Aground on Coast of Mexico and "S. O. S." Call Is Heard by Connecticut.

GALVESTON, Tex., May 20.—The Norwegian steamship Atlantis, which left Galveston May 17 for Tampico with 38 passengers, is aground 100 miles north of Tampico and has been ordered to her assistance...

No details of the accident to the Atlantis were given, but wireless messages for tugs were urgent and said that the steamer was pounding to pieces...

The crew refused to leave the vessel. Two powerful tugs were ordered from Mobile to the steamer's assistance.

Most of the Atlantis' passengers were foreigners who fled from Tampico after Vera Cruz was occupied by the Americans and were returning there.

The Atlantis is a 734-ton steamship plying between gulf ports.

WILLIAM MARTIN, 73, DEAD

Pioneer Jeweler of Salem Awaited End for Six Years.

SALEM, Or., May 20.—(Special)—William Willard Martin, 73 years old, a pioneer jeweler of Salem, died today after an illness of about six years...

When taken ill and informed he could not recover, Mr. Martin retired from business and began studying optometry, receiving a graduate's certificate about a year ago.

WITNESS FEE FIXED AT \$2

Western Members Prevent Reduction to \$1.50 by House.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 20.—The House today agreed to a provision in the judicial code bill reducing the fees of witnesses in Federal Courts in the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain states from \$3 to \$2 a day.

TWO SAVED AT ASTORIA

Lookout at Fort Canby Sees Boat Capsize.

ASTORIA, Or., May 20.—(Special)—A fishing boat containing two men was capsized yesterday in the breakers on Peacecock Spit...

FOREIGN DRIVERS ARRIVE

'Speed Demons' From Europe Reach Indianapolis for 500-Mile Race.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 20.—The last of the drivers of foreign cars entered in the annual 500-mile at the Indianapolis motor speedway, May 20, are here today.

GUARANTY IS ABOLISHED

Manufacturers Notified of Change in Department Regulations.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The Department of Agriculture today began notifying more than 58,000 manufacturers through the country that on May 1, 1915, their guarantees filed under the pure food and drugs regulation would be stricken from the files...

JACOB A. RIIS NO BETTER

Physician Gives No Hope for Improvement of Social Writer.

BARRE, Mass., May 20.—The condition of Jacob A. Riis, writer and social worker, was regarded as critical to-night. His physician said there was no hope of any improvement...

