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## CARBAJAL TO RESIGN OFFICE TO CARRANZA

### Direct Transfer of Government to Constitutional Planned.

## WAR IS BELIEVED ENDED

### United States to Use Offices to Aid Transfer Without Further Bloodshed.

## GENERAL AMNESTY ADVISED

### Rebels Counseled Against Executions in Revenge.

## RECOGNITION IS PROMISED

### Government Resulting From Agreement Between Contending Factions Obtains Standing by Niagara Protocol.

MONTREY, Mex., July 16.—General Carranza will not recognize the validity of the debts of Huerta after he enters Mexico City and establishes a constitutional government, was the statement made here today by high constitutionalist officials. It was in answer to questions concerning a statement said to have been published in the United States that foreign nations had made a demand through Washington that Carranza agree to recognize the legality of the debts of Huerta and grant amnesty to all political prisoners.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Francisco Carbajal, successor to General Huerta as provisional President of Mexico, today advised the United States Government informally that he intended to retire in favor of General Carranza, the constitutionalist chief. Mr. Carbajal wishes only that a general amnesty be proclaimed and protection given to the property of those who opposed the constitutionalists.

This statement of the attitude of Huerta's successor, together with the announcement from Saltillo that Carranza was willing to enter into negotiations with Carbajal relative to the transfer of authority at Mexico City, was regarded here tonight as practically assuring a cessation of hostilities and the restoration of peace in Mexico.

Views Conveyed to Bryan. The views of Mr. Carbajal were expressed in detail to Secretary Bryan today by Jose Castellot, ex-member of the Mexican Senate, who called at the State Department with a personal telegram which he had received through the Mexican Embassy. It was the first communication between the American Government and the Carbajal administration.

The message incidentally revealed that General Huerta and Blanquet, now en route to Puerto Mexico, are planning to go to Europe. The communication, addressed to Mr. Castellot, a personal friend of the new President, was dated last night, as follows:

"I have just taken the oath of office as President of the republic. General Huerta and Blanquet departed tonight for Europe. I desire to make it known with emphasis that my only purpose is to facilitate a solution of the grave problems which weigh upon our country. I have not the slightest ambition for myself and merely wish to terminate the internal conflict of our country. Please give me your impressions of the situation in Washington. "FRANCISCO CARBAJAL."

Good Offices Are Extended. Secretary Bryan thanked Mr. Castellot for the information he brought and told him that while recognition would not be accorded Carbajal, the United States was amicably disposed toward him and would applaud his patriotic efforts to bring about peace. Mr. Castellot left the State Department in a happy mood and promptly telegraphed the result of his conference to Mr. Carbajal.

To assure a transfer of authority without further bloodshed or disturbance, however, the American Government began today to use its good offices with General Carranza. John H. Silliman, formerly American Consul at Saltillo and now personal representative of President Wilson there, received a long message from the State Department instructing him to urge on General Carranza the belief of the United States that further fighting was useless on account of the readiness of the Carbajal government to surrender its power. Carranza was urged also to give

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## WILSON ILL AFTER BIRTHDAY DINNER

### INDIGESTION COMPLICATED BY COLD IN STOMACH.

Heat Has Annoyed President Greatly but He Will Not Leave Capital While Trust Bills Wait.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—President Wilson, suffering from an attack of indigestion, which followed Secretary Lane's 50th birthday anniversary dinner last night, was still confined to his room tonight. It was said at the White House that he was better, but that all engagements for tomorrow probably would be canceled, as it was thought best to keep him quiet for another day.

The President's illness was complicated by a cold in his stomach. He has been greatly annoyed by the heat recently, but refuses to leave Washington as long as Congress is at work on the anti-trust bills.

Mrs. Wilson, who also has been ill, has planned several times to leave, but finally decided to stay until the President can get away.

## BRUSH FIRE OBSTINATE

### Council Crest Slope Is Swept by Flames and Tank Emptied.

A brush fire, which started on the south slope of Council Crest at about 2:15 yesterday was still burning at a late hour last night. Fire department officials pronounced the flames under control at about 11:30 P. M. The origin is not known.

The flames burned an area of about three acres. Engines Nos. 15 and 17 emptied the 50,000-gallon tank in Council Crest Park, despite the fact that the city pumps forced water into it at full capacity.

A chimney fire on the roof of S. A. Crisman's home at 239 Grand avenue did little damage.

## HOUSE FIRED SIXTH TIME

### Eugene Bootblack and Family Now Live in Remaining Kitchen.

EUGENE, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—For the sixth time in scarcely a week a mysterious fire occurred today in the house at 412 Pearl street, occupied by Jess Eddy, a bootblack. It is owned by Mrs. Maude Brury. There had been no fire in the stove since 6 o'clock A. M. Shortly before 10 o'clock Mrs. Eddy observed smoke pouring through the ceiling from the attic.

Five days ago the house was partially destroyed after three previous fires in two days. Saturday night it again caught fire. Each time the tenants went back to the uninjured rooms. Only one room, the kitchen, is left.

## TROLLEY HITS TRAIN; 4 DIE

### Virginia Interurban Crashes Into Freight Near Norfolk.

NORFOLK, Va., July 17.—Four persons were killed and scores injured in a collision between an electric train on the Virginia Passenger & Power Company and a coal train on the Farmington Railroad early today at Fairmont Crossing, about three miles from Norfolk.

Only two of the dead were identified. They were Samuel K. Cuttrel and Miss Annie Meehan, of Norfolk.

Crossing trainmen say the safety gates were down and the electric train crashed through them into the freight train.

## "DO LIKEWISE," CITY TOLD

### Eight-Foot Thistle Is Sent Commissioner Dieck as Subtle Hint.

With a suggestion that it might be well for the city to cut weeds on its own property and streets at the same time, it is insisting that private property owners cut the weeds on their property, an eight-foot thistle, chopped down in East Thirty-first street, between Jarrett street and Alnorth avenue, was sent yesterday to City Commissioner Dieck by E. O. Raub, president of the Irvington Park Improvement Club.

The thistle is said to be one of many found in the streets in some sections of the city.

## CHURCH UNION IS VOTED

### Half Million Affected by Methodist Protestant Decision.

COLUMBUS, O., July 16.—Delegates to the general conference of the Methodist Protestant Church of America accepted tonight the report recommending a merger with the United Brethren Church of America.

This practically settles a ten-year agitation for a union of the two churches, which would affect about 500,000 persons. The United Protestant Church is the name which has been selected for the new organization.

## WRITER SERIOUSLY HURT

### Charles E. Van Loan Victim of Auto Accident in California.

SAN BERNARDINO, July 16.—(Special.)—Charles E. Van Loan, famous sporting and short-story writer, was seriously if not fatally injured today when his automobile went over the Skyland grade in the mountains near here, carrying him to the bottom of a 20-foot embankment, throwing him out and passing over him. He sustained a compound fracture of the left arm, a broken jaw, probably internal injuries and serious cuts and bruises on the head.

## MASKED MEN LYNCH CHILD'S ASSAILANT

### Twelve Baker County Farmers Act.

## TRAMP CONFESSES HIS INTENT

### Prisoner Is Taken From Girl's Father, on Way to Jail.

## LITTLE VICTIM IS RESCUED

### Upper Burnt River Country Wildly Excited by First Exaggerated Reports of Attack on Daughter of Rancher Hardman.

BAKER, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—Baker County's first lynching in years occurred between Whitney and Audrey, in the Upper Burnt River country, today, when 12 grim and silent masked men took from J. B. Hardman an unidentified prisoner who had confessed to an attempted criminal attack on Hardman's eight-year-old daughter, Grace, and hung him to a tree in a canyon.

Lynchers Quickly Disappear. The lynchers then fled, and when Deputy Sheriff Jackson and Charles Nibley, of Whitney, reached the scene the cold, lifeless body dangled from the top branch of the tallest tree. Jackson could not get up the tree to examine the pockets to establish the identity of the dead man. He left the body hanging until Coroner West can go from here tomorrow to the scene of the lynching, where an inquest will be held.

There is no trace of the men who did the work and so covered are their tracks there is little hope of a clue, unless some of the men begin talking about it. The dead man looks like a tramp. He is white, poorly dressed and is between 30 and 35 years old.

Lynchers Work Thoroughly. The lynchers did a thorough job. They threw a rope over a limb nearly 15 feet from the ground, tied the man's feet together so he could not struggle, and after he was struck up they tied the two ropes to the tree and fled. The finders could hardly touch his feet. District Attorney Godwin left Baker today to make an investigation.

First Reports Exaggerated. Belief is that the ranchers who formed the lynching party were misinformed as to the nature of the crime, as there was a report all over the

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## LASSEN ODOROUSLY ACTIVE

### Air Impregnated With Sulphur 16 Miles From Crater.

MINERAL, Cal., July 16.—Lassen Peak, which was in almost continuous eruption all day yesterday, renewed volcanic activity at midnight, and again at 4:30 o'clock this morning. Ashes fell here, 16 miles from the crater, and the atmosphere was strongly impregnated with sulphur fumes.

## ELKS' GOAT AUTHORIZED

### Report on Revision of Ritual to Be Made Two Years Hence.

DENVER, July 16.—After voting a proposition to appoint a commission to codify the ritual of the grand lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks today passed a resolution empowering the incoming grand exalted ruler, Raymond Benjamin, of Napa, Cal., to appoint two grand lodge members to act with him on a committee to report on a revision of the ritual two years hence.

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Commissioner Brewster announced that he would pay the \$4 himself to redeem the dog, saving the city the trouble of taking special action.

## \$160,773 IS SENT TO THAW

### Court Order as to Accumulated Income Is Carried Out.

PITTSBURG, July 16.—Judge J. W. Over's order that the Fidelity Title & Trust Company, trustee of Harry K. Thaw's estate, should pay over to Thaw \$160,773, this accumulation of his income since he was declared insane in New York state, was carried out today.

The money was paid over to Thaw's attorney, ex-Governor Stone, who forwarded it to Thaw at once.

"Where did you get the money to come to Portland before the grand jury?" asked Strahan.

"I borrowed \$9 from Mr. Byron," said the witness.

"Have you paid it back?" "No."

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## GUNBOAT'S DEFEAT KINDLES BIG FIRE

### International Flame of Bad Feeling Near.

## SMITH'S BLOW UNINTENTIONAL

### End Is Tragedy to American Pugilist and His Friends.

## RESULT IS UNFORTUNATE

### Undercurrent of Prejudice Against American Boxers Among English King Followers Noted—Frenchman's Speed Wonderful.

LONDON, July 16.—Georges Carpenter, the young French champion, and the only pugilist of premier rank France has ever contributed to the game, obtained the decision tonight over Gunboat Smith, the American fighter, on a foul in the sixth round of the fastest heavyweight fight Londoners have seen in many years.

The match between the two heavyweights was fought at the Olympia Club, and was scheduled to go 20 rounds. To Smith and his supporters the finish was a tragedy, because the blow for which the American was disqualified was neither studied nor intentional. It was launched in the heat of the whirlwind fighting when the Frenchman had slipped to his knees, and the spectators saw the gaunt sailor recoil and attempt to draw back almost as his arm flew out.

Nevertheless, the ending of tonight's fight adds another to the unfortunate chapters of international sport, because it has kindled bad feeling and is likely to be followed by long drawn-out arguments.

Prejudice Is Seen. There has been an undercurrent of prejudice against American boxers among English ring followers, and how ever unintentional Gunboat Smith's breach of the rules was, it probably will be cited in support of this prejudice.

The popular judgment awarded Carpenter the better of the fight on its merits. Fitted against such a powerful antagonist as Smith, it was evident that the Frenchman's marvelous quickness had not been exaggerated. He showed a left lead like a flash of lightning and a powerful and equally swift right. His footwork was wonderful, and, although Smith was remarkably quick for a big

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## CURRENT MENACES BRIDGE, IS BELIEF

### STRUCTURE AT OREGON CITY MAY BE DANGEROUS.

### Erosion of Conduits by Electrolysis Causes Fear Similar Action May Have Weakened Big Cables.

OREGON CITY, July 16.—(Special.)—The possibility that action of electricity has made the big suspension bridge across the Willamette River here dangerous is being discussed by those who have studied peculiar conditions at Seventh and Main streets, within a few feet of the place where the steel cables of the bridge imbedded in a footing of concrete.

In the last 15 months the Home Telephone Company has been forced to install four new conduits at the corner because of erosion caused by electrolysis. The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company has experienced trouble also and electricians are making a study of the conditions and actions.

"It would not surprise me if the steel wires of the bridge were affected," said Ben Hazhurst, manager of the Home Telephone Company. "It only seems reasonable to me that the bridge cable would be in the line of the activity of the electricity."

Manager Ness, of the Western Union, who has made a study of the subject, said:

"It might seem impossible to a person who had not studied the actions of electricity to believe that the bridge cables could be so affected, but from what I have learned it seems to me that such effect would be not improbable under the circumstances."

## RUN FOR HELP DISASTROUS

### Woman, Giving Fire Alarm, Collapses From Exhaustion.

SALEM, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—After running about half a mile today to notify her husband that their house was ablaze, Mrs. Levi Herren, who lives four miles from Salem, on the Silverton road, collapsed from exhaustion.

Dr. C. H. Robertson, of this city, who attended her, said tonight that she was out of danger.

Mrs. Herren was alone in the house when she discovered a blaze in the kitchen. She tried without success to extinguish it and then ran to the home of a neighbor, where her husband was visiting. The loss is about \$1400.

## TOWN STRUCK BY CYCLONE

### Two Killed, Many Hurt, \$150,000 Damage Done in Henderson, Ky.

HENDERSON, Ky., July 16.—Two persons were killed, several others injured and scores of buildings damaged when a cyclone struck this city late today. It is estimated the damage will reach \$150,000.

The municipal electric light plant was partially destroyed and the city is in darkness tonight. Fires started in two different sections after the cyclone had passed, but were quickly extinguished.

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## TWO STAGES ARE HELD UP

### Masked Men Get \$12.50, Missing \$300 on Women's Ruse.

BARTLETT SPRINGS, Cal., July 16.—Two masked men held up two stages tonight on the Woodland-Bartlett Springs line at the summit of the Brin grade on the boundary between Colusa and Lake counties, took \$1250 and escaped.

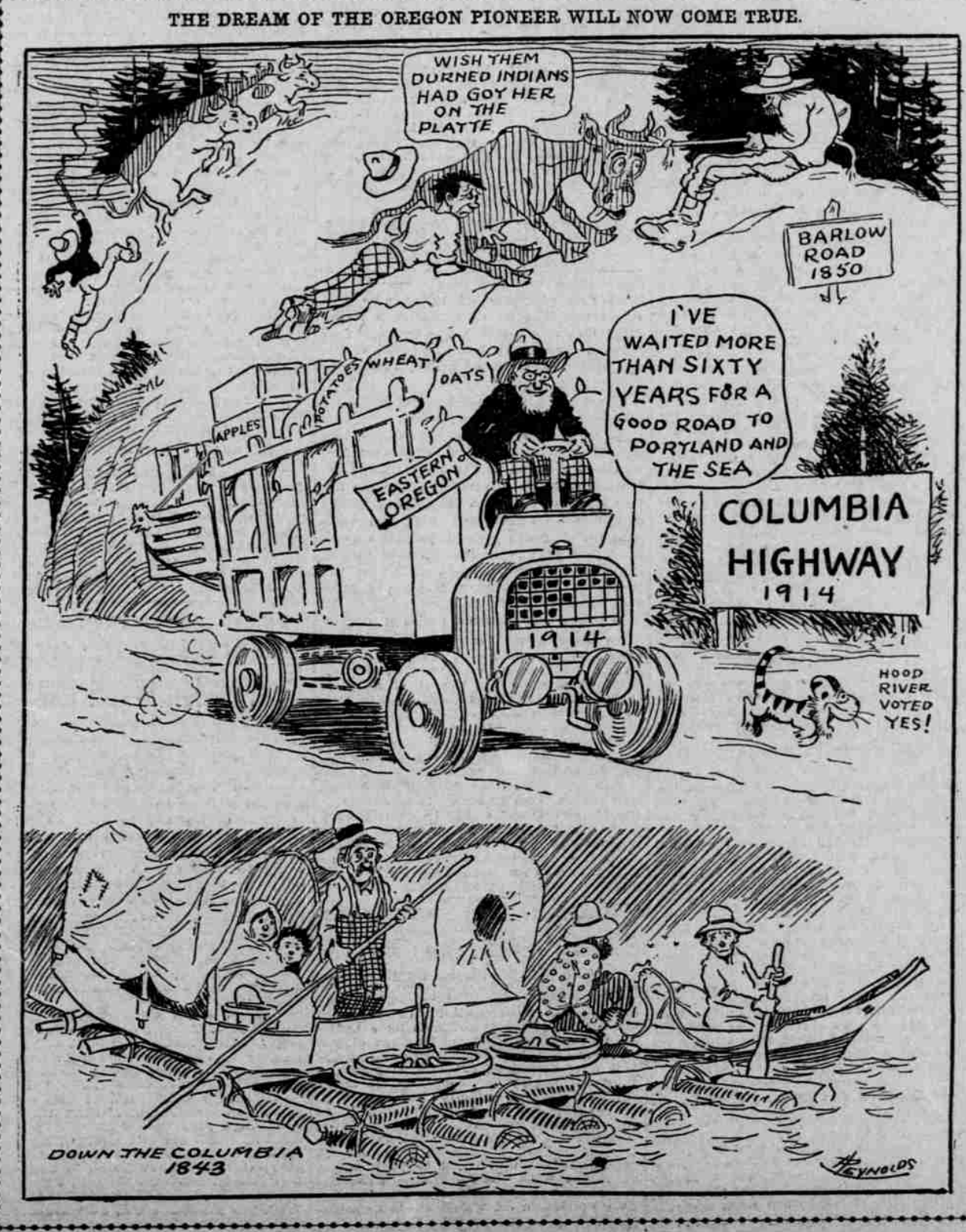
They overlooked \$300, which five women in the first stage dropped to the floor of the tannau before getting out into the road.

## LITTLE GIRL'S PLEA WINS

### When Dog Is Taken to Pound Commissioner Brewster Pays Forfeit.

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## LAND CASE BRINGS FIRST PARDON NEWS

### Wilson Frees 'Locator' Who Confessed.

## SURPRISE SPRUNG IN COURT

### Harper Declares That Immunity Was Not Promised.

## CLEMENCY LAID TO WIFE

### Former Member of Group Selling 'Locations' on Disputed Property, Too Fluent in Testimony, Is Checked by Attorneys.

The fact that Henry J. Harper, a Tacoma barber who served 30 days for fraudulent use of the mails, has a full pardon from President Wilson, restoring his civil rights, first became public yesterday in the United States District Court with Judge Bean sitting, while Harper was on the witness stand as a witness against W. F. Minard, of Portland, and J. W. Logan and E. J. Sellers, of Tacoma, accused of the same offense.

Harper was a member of the so-called "Seattle group" of alleged fake land locators, of which Minard, Logan and Sellers are alleged by the Government to have been members also.

Operations Are Extensive. These men, the Government alleges, conspired and used the mails in furtherance of the conspiracy to get pardons, were "efficient locators" from them on timber lands within the Oregon & California Railroad land grant in Oregon. This alleged fraud was country-wide, and the Federal authorities estimate that its operators obtained at least \$1,500,000 by this means.

Harper's pardon, which was made a part of the record of the Minard-Logan-Sellers case, recites as reasons for its granting that the United States District Attorney desired to use Harper as a witness, which would have been impossible without the pardon, and that there were extenuating circumstances connected with Harper's case, which, in the language of the instrument, were "sufficient to move" the President to grant it.

Harper said that he did not know that he had been pardoned or that a pardon was to be granted to him until notified by Mr. Hissam last Tuesday.

Witness Shows Emotion. Having related his connection with the alleged fraudulent scheme and how he had spent six weeks in jail in Portland before his arraignment and plea of guilty, Harper was asked by Mr. Reames if he knew why he had received so light a sentence.

"Yes," he said. "At whose solicitation was it?" asked Mr. Reames.

"A girl 15," said Harper bluntly, "a boy 12, one seven, one 4 and one 3." Harper said that from the time of his own accord, he first went to Special Agent Byron, of the Department of Justice, at Seattle, and told his story, he had received no promise of immunity or pardon.

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