

VILLA SEEKS ENTRY TO UNITED STATES

Carranza Representatives Attend Conference With Americans at El Paso.

FULL SURRENDER PLEDGED

Offer Made to Elect New Leader, Who Will Turn Over All Civil and Military Authority to the De Facto Government.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 19.—At a conference of United States military officials, state and city authorities and representatives of the Carranza and Villa governments, held here secretly today, it was requested by the Villa delegation that General Francisco Villa and his brother, Hipolito Villa, financial agent of the Villa government, be permitted to cross the border unharmed by legal, criminal or civil action.

In return for the immunity of the Villa brothers the Villa delegation promised that a new chief would be selected to lead the Villa movement and pledged to accept the terms selected, and as yet unnamed, but believed to be Governor Avila, to turn over the entire military and civil organization of the Villa-controlled territory to the Carranza government.

Should the guarantee of immunity not cover all persons affiliated with the Villa movement, the pledge would be withdrawn and the fight against the de facto government of Carranza would be continued.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 19.—General P. Villa called Carranza governor of Sonora, left here early today in an automobile for Nogales, Ariz., to confer with General Alvaro Obregón, who arrived there unexpectedly late last night from Guaymas, Sonora.

HEBREW PROPHECY TOLD

Dr. Dyott Preaches on Knowledge of Coming of Christ.

"Bethlehem did not mark the beginning of the life of Jesus Christ, Calvary did not end it," said Rev. Luther R. Dyott, pastor of the First Congregational Church in his sermon last night when he had as his subject, "What Was Known About Christ Before His Birth?"

Dr. Dyott made reference to the various passages in Genesis, Isaiah and Micah in which the birth, life and suffering of Christ are foretold, and he stated that the very words of the Hebrew wording that tell of the creation of the world is evidence that "God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit" had founded the earth.

IRRIGATION LUNCH TOPIC

Members' Council of Chamber to Hear Several Addresses.

Irrigation topics will be discussed at the regular meeting and luncheon of the members' council of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, on the seventh floor of the Commercial Club building today.

James B. Kerr will be one of the speakers, developing the subject of the mutual need of railroads and irrigation. C. C. Chapman will tell of the Oregon Irrigation Congress and of the coming session of that body, which meets December 28 to 30.

SUFFRAGE MEETING ENDS

President's Daughter Margaret on Stage at Closing Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The National American Woman Suffrage Association closed its 47th annual convention here today with a mass meeting addressed by association leaders and other well-known speakers.

ALASKA HAS \$40,000 FIRE

Fairbanks Saloon Burns With Temperature 30 Below Zero.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 19.—Fire caused by an explosion of the gas lighting system in a saloon here today destroyed that and two adjoining buildings tonight, causing a loss of \$40,000. The temperature was 30 degrees below zero.

Roseburg Club Five Wins

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—In what might be termed the only high-grade game of basketball played here this season, the Roseburg Athletic Club Saturday night defeated the Y. M. C. A. team of the University of Oregon 43 to 13. The team work of the locals was fast and, once started, they maintained a lead until the finish.

X-Ray Pioneer Is Dead

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 19.—Professor Arthur William Wright, a noted scientist and professor of experimental physics at Yale from 1872 to 1884, died at his home here today in his 86th year. He was said to have been the first American to obtain definite results from X-ray experiments.

HISTORIC TAYLOR-STREET CHURCH, WHOSE BELL, NOW SILENT, WAS FIRST TO RING CHRISTMAS TIDINGS IN PORTLAND.



Supreme Court Decision on Truce Between Church Factions May Release Bell That First Rang Christmas Tidings in Portland.

BELL MAY BE SILENT

Taylor-Street Church May Not Sound Christmas Message.

TRUCE DEEMED POSSIBLE

Unless Court Orders or Unless Two Factions Agree, Note of Good Will Will Not Ring Out as It Has Ever Since 1849.

One bell, the oldest in Portland, will not join in the harmony of other church bells at the city to ring good cheer Christmas eve and to ring out the old and ring in the new year unless the two factions of Taylor-Street Methodist Church decide to agree to agree to celebrate the merry season of peace on earth and good will to all men.

POSTOFFICE IS ROBBED

100 REGISTERED LETTERS ARE LOOTED AT SNOQUALMIE.

Articles Also Taken From Store and Explosives Placed on Safe, Which Is Abandoned.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Vandal robbers entered the Retail general merchandise store and postoffice at Snoqualmie early this morning and put in a busy, interesting and apparently profitable session.

"THE ALOMINO."

The high-grade, modestly priced cigar. Most popular as a light, mild smoke. \$1.15 box of 25; \$2.25 box of 50. Acceptable Christmas gift. Sign "The Alomino" at 22 1/2 St. Mail orders promptly filled.—Adv.

BEER STORAGE IS BARRED

Banker on Northwest Tour. Eugene R. Fevre, one of the directors of the Spokane & Eastern Trust Company of Spokane, was in Portland yesterday on a tour of the Northwest.

NEIGHBOR CUTS MILLMAN

Ira Wright Is Victim of Row Near Chehalis. CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Late last night Ira Wright, a well-known sawmill man, was dangerously injured in a row with W. L. Jones, a neighbor, at their home, four miles southeast of Chehalis.

McCombs to Be Figurehead on Democratic Committee.

OTHERS TO DO FIGHTING

National Chairman Retained in Interest of Party Harmony, but Organizing Will Be Put in Hands of Warhorses.

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