

taken after a day of extraordinary political excitement and activity. There were constant comings and go-Downing street and the various government departments.

Noteworthy Leaders Absent.

Mr. Asquith met several Unionist Earl of Derby.

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Noticeable absentees from this con-Chamberlain and Walter Hume Long.

Later in the afternoon the Premier met his supporters, including Viscount Grey, Lewis Harcourt, Edwin S. Montagu, the Marquis of Crewe, Reginald Buckmaster, H. Samuel, Lord Read-Nng lasted more than an hour and it is supposed that Mr. Asquith explained that he was faced by almost tion of the conflicting interests and

intended to tender his resignation. Alto the palace and had an audience with the King.

General Election Discussed.

It now is remarked that when Mr. Asquith was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if a food dictator had been appointed, he replied sharply:

"I don't like a food dictator." There is much talk tonight of the possibilities of a general election. Mr. Bonar Law would first form a Cabinet, if he takes office, as it is necessary that the government be carried on, and then appeal to the electors tion.

There is strong opposition, however, to any political campaign, which must necessarily divert the country's en- of 100 pounds. ergies from the war work while it lasted, and the new government may SERBS MAKE ANOTHER GAIN decide to go ahead with the approval of the House of Commons only and Stravina Carried by Assault; Bulnot of the voters.

Lloyd George's Policy Shown.

LONDON, Dec. 5 .- The Serbians have The part David Lloyd George is playing in the crisis was demonstrated gion and have carried the village of plainly today by the fact that he re- Stravina by assault, capturing mained in his office while the Pre- howitzers, according to an official mier conferred separately with the statement issued by the Serbian War Liberal and Conservative members of Office, dated Monday evening. the Cabinet. Lloyd George's policy of Zouvik, five miles north of Grunhad supporters in both camps. His eshte, is in flames and the Bulgarians (Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.) are retreating northward.

snakes were not thought to be poisonous. down. President Wilson, attracted by the stir, looked up from his reading, ings of the political leaders between COUNTESS RESISTS TAX and, apparently taking in the situation at a glance, smiled broadly and, without hesitation or interruption, turned Titled American Heiress Takes In-

come Case Into Court.

Policemen and gallery guards scur-PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5. - Whether ried to where the women were seated, offended the United States. leaders in consultation, including Earl titled American heiresses living abroad but contented themselves with watch-Curzon, Lord Robert Cecil and the and having sources of income in this ing the party. When the joint session was over the (Concluded on Page 7, Column 1.) country are exempt from the obligations of the Federal income tax statut

was a point of law raised by Countess ference were: A. J. Balfour, who is Emily R. Degandy, of Paris, daughter ill; Andrew Bonar Law, J. Austen of the late John Jacob Ridgeway, of this city, in the United States District Court here today, Judge Dickinson

> eserved decision. The countess paid a tax of \$7176.62 under protest in 1913.

McKenna, Walter Runciman, Lord MEXICAN HELD FOR PLOT ing and Arthur Henderson. The meet- Recruiting for Revolt in Lower California Charged.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5 .- Fortunato insuperable obstacles to the reconcilia- Tenorio, a Mexican interne in a hospital here, was arrested today by Federal officers, charged with violation of neutrality by the alleged recruiting of most immediately the Premier drove men for service in Lower California in a proposed attempt to displace Colonel Esteban Cantu, Military Governor of

the northern division. It was said one woman and several men were sought by the Government in the case.

SEATTLE PLANS BOYCOTT

Mass Meeting of Women Called to Attack Food Prices.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 5 .- Steps were taken today by women here to start a boycott on eggs, butter and potaes. Officers of the Homekeepers' Club issued a call for a mass meeting of for a ratification of his administra- for the war against high prices of food.

> a dozen; butter at 45 and 50 cents pound, and potatoes at \$2.75 for a sack

gars Set Fire to One Village.

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women Friday, when plans will be laid

Eggs are retailing at 55 and 60 cents

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF OREGON'S LIVESTOCK MIGHT HAVE BEEN EVEN MORE WONDERFUL.

out further demonstrations.

edge of the banner and snatched it Resignation Attributed to Opposition jury," retorted the special prosecutor. to Submarine Policy.

cal attendance summoned for Miss Colby, who was not restored to con LONDON, Dec. 5 .- A wireless dis-patch from Berne today quotes Maxisciousness for several minutes. In his closing argument Mr. Wheeler

his eyes back to his manuscript and continued his address to its end with-ing that Herr von Jagow left the Ger-to the appeals of the defense for sympathy for Miss Colby. man Foreign Office because he disap-"I wish I could ask an acquittal for proved of a submarine policy which

Edith Colby," said Mr. Wheeler. come from Massachusetts, and I would Herr von Jagow also disagreed with the policy of deporting. Belgians and that I could stand here to defend the good name of the women of New Eng-

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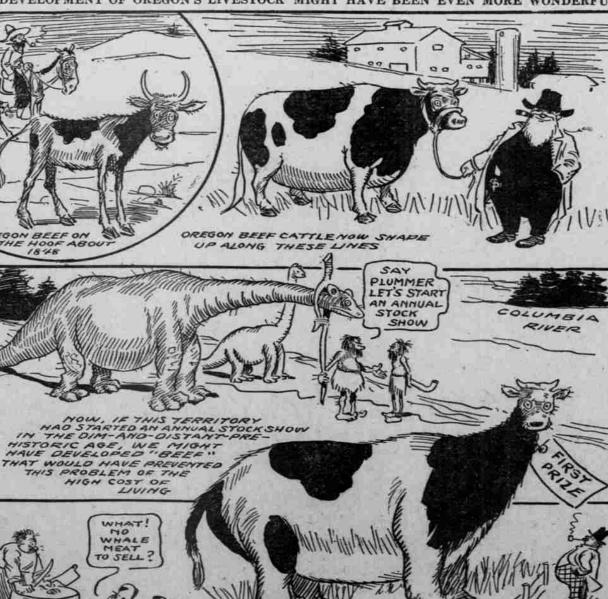
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jewelry after he had won their confidence and love. Mrs. Ikle last night, at her home at 451 East Twenty-eighth street North, told how Wax had robbed her of \$10,000 worth of diamonds and \$800 in money. Mrs. Ikle's story differs from the reports given by other victims of the Chicago prisoner in that her acquaintance with Wax was brief and he never made love to her. The valuables, she says, were stolen from her room after Wax, who had seen her wearing gems,

had followed her to a New York hotel. Mrs. Ikle says that her acquaintance with Wax, whom she met as Colonel William Mason, of the United States Regular Army, was very casual. After trailing Wax to Portland she was largely instrumental in his conviction (Concluded on Fage 4, Column 2.)

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he said it. He gave his address as Chicago. INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

One of the women who will confront Wax tomorrow, it was announced, will be known in the proceedings simply YESTERDAT'S-Maximum temperature, 41 as "Miss X.," to whom a man answer-degrees; minimum, 36 degrees. ing to Wax's description is alleged to have represented himself as Charles Raymond, "an assistant United States Asquith resigns British premiership; King District Attorney."

James W. Osborne and his wife also will see Wax. Whether Miss Rae Tanzer, who sued James W. Osborne and Peace brought nearer by conditions in en-emy countries, says Berlin press. Page 4. Osborne," who she charged had broken identified him in court as the "Oliver a promise to marry her, will appear to-

Women unfurl suffrage banner as President reads his address. Page 1. Miss Tanzer to Be Prosecuted.

> If Wax proves to be the original "Oliver Osborne" he will be used as a witness in the criminal cases against Miss Tanzer, her lawyers and others, which resulted from the breach of promise suit. When the Federal authoritles have finished with him, it was said, he doubtless will be turned over to the local authorities, who are investigating charges of swindling preferred by several of the young women who will see him tomorrow.

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A detective for a local department store identified Wax tonight as a man who had obtained a position at the store in 1911. He said this man stole a \$100 bill from a woman soon after Progressives make overtures for union with he started to work, and that he was Republicans. Page 3, convicted and served one year in convicted and served one year in prison. Coincidentally, officials at police headquarters announced today they had received word from the State Penitentiary of Oregon asking that "Oliver Osborne" be held for the Oregon authorities.

The message said that "Oliver Osborne" was believed to be a man who was sentenced there on June 13, 1913. to five years for forgery, but escaped four months later.

ing and Loss of \$10,000 Gems.

Mrs. Lillian M. Ikle, of Portland, acording to her own story, was a victim of Charles Wax, who was arrested in Chicago last Monday on a charge of swindling 300 women of money and

Pacific Northwest.