

BORDER PROTOCOL REGARDED AS SURE

Carranza Is Expected to Sign Document, if He Has Not Done So Already.

REPORT TODAY PROBABLE

American Commissioners Will Add Terms, Including Annulment of Foreign Property Confiscation and Protection.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 6.—The general impression among high officials here is that the protocol drafted by the Mexican and American commissioners at Atlantic City and having as its object a settlement of the points at issue between Mexico and the United States will be signed by General Carranza.

Alberto J. Pani, one of the Mexican commissioners, has been delayed here, but is to reach Queretaro tomorrow and probably will leave there at once for the United States with General Carranza's reply to the protocol.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Unofficial information today that Alberto J. Pani, who carried to General Carranza the border protection protocol agreed at Atlantic City, was on his way back to the United States from Mexico, was contained at the State Department as an indication that the first chief had ratified the document.

It is believed here Mr. Pani will cross the border at Laredo perhaps tomorrow and make a telegraphic report from there. If he reports the ratification of the protocol, the commission will convene here Friday and adjourn until he can reach Washington.

Under instructions from the members of the commission the attaches of both groups have spent much of the time since the adjournment at Atlantic City in drafting tentative programmes for further discussions.

The Americans, it is understood, will insist upon the agreement to an addendum to the protocol that will serve as a guarantee that the Carranza government will respect and protect the rights of Americans and other foreigners in Mexico.

The Mexicans probably will be asked to agree to the annulment of all decrees that provide for confiscation of the property of Americans.

Official advice from Mexico today included the notification that the government has issued a circular permitting the use of American currency in metallic and paper, as legal tender.

The Rockefeller Foundation is expected to contribute \$1,000,000 for the task and to use such funds as may be necessary.

BATTLE CRUISER BIDS IN BUILDERS ASK 10 TO 15 PER CENT MORE THAN COST.

NAVY DEPARTMENT EXPECTS TO WORK OUT AGREEMENT WHEREBY FOUR COMPANIES WILL BUILD ONE EACH.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Four American shipbuilders submitted proposals to the Navy Department today for the construction of the four 35-knot battle cruisers authorized as a part of the 1917 building programme.

The bidders were included, all the bidders offering to build the ships for cost plus from 10 to 15 per cent profit.

RURAL CHURCH HAS PLEA

REV. C. F. SWANDER, OF PORTLAND, SPEAKS AT SPOKANE.

Northwest Parliament Is Urged to Train Youth Specially—Ideas of Stepping Stone Resented.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—A strong plea that the rural church be not made a stepping stone for ministers to the acquisition of a city parish, was made today by Rev. C. F. Swander, of Portland, at the Northwest Parliament of Christian Churches, in session at the Central Church.

The Rev. Mr. Swander is corresponding secretary and superintendent of missions for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, and is in close touch with rural conditions.

With the battle cruiser contracts awarded, the only portion of the 1917 programme remaining unplaced will be three scout cruisers, bids for which have been re-advertised and will be opened next month.

BUSINESS BLOCK IS SOLD

UMPPQUA VALLEY BANK PAYS \$33,000 FOR ROSEBURG PROPERTY.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—One of the most important real estate transactions consummated in Roseburg for several years has been closed, the Umpqua Valley Bank purchasing from Chester W. Hopkins, of Portland, a quarter block of land situated in the heart of the business district.

The Umpqua Valley Bank was organized here about three years ago and is now one of the strongest financial institutions in this section of the state.

Bayer Tablets Aspirin Do You Use Aspirin? If so, buy the one genuine. Every package and every tablet of genuine Aspirin bears "The Bayer Cross"—your protection against counterfeits and harmful substitutes.

U. S. HAS SURPLUS

\$114,937,995 to Be in Treasury June 1, Says Mr. McAdoo.

DEFICIT PROSPECT FOR 1918

Alternative Is Increase of Revenue by Congress, Says Secretary in Annual Report—Bank Deposits Never Equalled.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—(Special.)—A surplus of \$114,937,995 will remain in the Federal Treasury at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1917, says the annual report of Secretary McAdoo, submitted to Congress today.

On June 30 last the balance in the treasury was \$178,000,000, compared with a balance of \$194,000,000 the previous year, showing an increase of \$74,000,000.

Nation Is Now Creditor. The ordinary revenues of the year were \$775,584,552.49, an increase of \$57,180,107.37 as compared with 1915.

The report says further: "The financial strength of the United States—the greatest in our history—has been maintained in our present position in world finance.

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"The receipts from customs amounted to \$213,138,845.63, an increase over the preceding fiscal year of \$2,197,853,510, which is an increase of approximately \$484,000,000.

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AD CLUB NOMINATES

S. C. BRATTON IS UNOPPOSED FOR PRESIDENT'S CHAIR.

VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ALSO CLEAR FIELD, BUT 22 ARE IN RACE FOR DIRECTORSHIPS.

President of the Portland Ad Club, S. C. Bratton, first vice-president James L. Duffy, and second vice-president, R. H. Atkinson, this is certain to be the return at the Ad Club election next Wednesday, for these three were nominated yesterday at the luncheon at the Benson Hotel, without opposition.

Three candidates are in the field for secretary-treasurer: Sidney W. Mills, O. C. Bortzmeier and Roy Edwards.

The real competition will be in the election for the board of directors, with a field of 22, out of which about half a dozen can possibly be chosen.

Nomination speeches were cut to one minute, and nearly everybody got a chance to orate before the full 22 candidates were placed on the list.

Following is the lineup: W. Stone, W. A. Robb, John T. Dougal, W. H. Treese, W. L. Rittman, Roy Burnett, Fred L. Kelly, J. M. McLaughlin, L. Senosky, Frank McCrillis, L. R. Alderman, Dr. S. E. Wright, M. E. Lee, Harry Rickett, D. C. Freeman, Dr. J. L. Manion, E. E. Bailey, Harry Maclean, S. Myers, James Zancker, Percy Ariett and George L. Baker.

Candidates will be allowed to publish campaign advertisements only in the official publication of the club, and this is expected to cut down to a large extent the cards and circulars that used to flood the membership in the old days when a campaign was on.

BOY IN TANK RESCUED

PAUL FIEGEL NEARLY DROWNS IN DEMONSTRATION AT Y. M. C. A.

Companions Dive for Lad and Bring Him to Surface, Where Instructor Restores Respiration Quickly.

Paul Fiegel, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Fiegel Sr., was rescued from possible drowning yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. swimming tank while attempting to swim under-water with up and down the length of the tank.

The population in 1900 was 282,071, including 45,274 Jews and 53,056 aliens, mostly Austro-Hungarian subjects.

They saw Fiegel come to the surface at the deep end of the tank, and immediately disappear. They presumed for a moment that he was merely continuing his contest, but when he failed to come up in reasonable time Bartholomew dived after him.

Respiration had almost stopped, but instructor Gawley restored lung action before a physician who had been summoned arrived.

In a few hours young Fiegel was entirely recovered and could only explain the accident by saying that he remembered getting within three feet of the end of the tank and starting to go down.

GRADE TEACHERS MEET

CO-OPERATIVE LUNCHEON IS POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY.

The Grade Teachers' Association yesterday decided to postpone the co-operation luncheon, that had been set for Saturday, December 9, to the middle of January.

Bucharest is often called "the Paris of the East," partly from a supposed social resemblance, partly from the fact that it is the seat of many embassies and consulates.

The Orthodoxy Greek churches are generally small, with narrow windows and are built of brick in a modified Byzantine style.

26 WOMEN DIE IN BLOW-UP

THIRTY OTHERS INJURED BY BRITISH MUNITIONS EXPLOSION.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Twenty-six women were killed and about 30 injured in an explosion in a munition factory last night, according to an official announcement, which adds that the effect of the accident upon the munitions output will be negligible.

Columbia Grafonola advertisement featuring an illustration of a family listening to music on a gramophone. Text includes 'A Columbia Grafonola—the one best gift for all the family for all the year' and 'FOR SALE BY Bush & Lane Piano Co., 432-433 Washington Street.'

ROUMANIAN CAPITAL CALLED "PARIS OF WESTERN EUROPE"

Bucharest Ranks High in Social Importance and Is Industrial and Commercial Center of Nation.

Bucharest (Bucuresci), also written Bucarest, Bukarest, Bukharest, Bukoret and Bukhoret, is the capital of Roumania and chief town of the department of Ilfov.

The population in 1900 was 282,071, including 45,274 Jews and 53,056 aliens, mostly Austro-Hungarian subjects.

Bucharest is a great educational center. Besides the ordinary ecclesiastical seminaries, lycums, gymnasia and elementary schools, it possesses schools of commerce, science and art institutes, and training college for engineers and veterinary surgeons.

There are two theaters, the National and the Lyric, which is mainly patronized by foreign players, but minor places of amusement abound, as also do clubs, political, social and sporting.

Socially the progress of Bucharest is remarkable. Its political, literary and scientific circles being on a level with those of most European capitals.

Bucharest is the Winter residence of the royal family, the meeting place of the Parliament and the seat of the appeal court, of the supreme court, of the Ministries, the National Bank of Roumania, many lesser credit establishments and the Chamber of Commerce.

The railroad lines which meet on the western limit of the city give access to all parts, and the telephone system, besides being internally complete, communicates with Braila, Galatz, Jassy and Slnia.

Bucharest has a large transient trade in petroleum, timber, agricultural products, wheat and maize. Its industries include petroleum refining, extractions of vegetable oil, cabinetmaking, brandy distilling, tanning and manufacture of machinery, wire, nails, metal ware, cement, soap, candles, paste, starch, paper, cardboard, pearl buttons, textiles, ropes, leather goods, glucose, artificial supplies, preserved meat, vegetables and confectionery.

An important fair is held for seven days in each year. The musical community is largely composed of Austrians, Frenchmen, Germans, Greeks and Swiss, who formed exclusive colonies.

Bucharest was the headquarters of an army corps and a fortress of the first rank. The fortifications were constructed in 1856-1859 on a project drafted by the Belgian engineer, General Brailmont, in 1853.

The mean distance of the fort from the city is four miles and the circumference of defenses is about 48 miles; defended by 26 forts and batteries.

There is a military hospital and three military academies. In 1856 it was burned by the Turks, but after its restoration, continued to grow until in 1698, Prince Constantine Brancovan chose it for his capital.

During the 16th century the possession of Bucharest was frequently disputed by the Turks, Austrians and Russians. In 1812 it gave its name to the

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Sing Sing Warden Named.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The appointment of William H. Moyer, for 12 years warden of the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., warden of Sing Sing Prison was announced today by the State Superintendent of Prisons, James M. Carter.

Ceremony Chairman Named.

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Crew of Lost Bark Lands.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 6.—The

GRAY'S Half-Price Sale! Advertisement for ladies' suits, listing various styles and prices, such as '\$25 Suits \$12.50' and '\$50 Suits \$25.00'. Includes text 'Elegant Dresses at 33 1/3% Discount' and 'All Street Skirts Half Price'.