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GARRANZA LINKED WITH SOVIET PLOT

Bolshevik Ascendancy in Mexico Suspected.

U. S. SLACKERS JOIN IN MOVE

Official Aid to Establish Regime Is Reported.

PROBE GOES TO TEXAS

Senate Sub-Committee Will Hear Many Witnesses; Doctrines Spread Broadcast.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 11.—Information furnished by government agents here as evidence that Carranza government officials are countenancing a plan to establish a bolshevik regime in Mexico and that the radical programme is supported largely by evaders of American army drafts, will be given to the senate sub-committee investigating Mexican affairs when it begins its hearing here this week.

Senator Fall, New Mexico, chairman of the committee, is expected Monday. Senator Marcus A. Smith, Arizona, is here and scores of witnesses, many of them refugees from Mexico, are awaiting an opportunity to testify.

Summonses for more than 200 have been issued but the number who have notified agents of the committee of their willingness to testify is much greater.

Carranza Side Represented. Not all the testimony offered will be unfavorable to the present Mexican administration. Supporters of the Carranza government have placed before the committee the names of many, who, they assert, will be able to counter at least some of the statements of special investigators, refugees and ordinary observers.

It is expected more time will be given by the committee to an investigation of radicalism as it is manifested now in Mexico and to the existing conditions and relations of the governments of Mexico and the United States.

Assertions that Americans who fled to Mexico to escape the draft are implicated in the plan to bring Mexico under the rule of the radicals are based on statements published in the official organ of the communist party in Mexico.

Slackers Join Radicals. American government records and reports of special agents tend to support the statements. According to the published report, 20,000 Americans escaped service in the army by flight to Mexico. Most of them have returned to the United States, but many remain, and the names of a few have appeared in the literature of the communist and L. W. W. organs as actively engaged in furthering the cause of radicalism.

Documents which will be placed before the committee include the organization of the communist party of Mexico. The international secretary is George Barreda, Enrique H. Arce is secretary for Mexico and C. F. Tabler is treasurer. Tabler's nationality is given as American.

The members of the executive committee are: Barreda, Arce, Tabler, Lynn A. E. Gale, Fulgencio C. Luna, Magdalena E. Gale, Josefina Barreda, A. P. Araujo, J. C. Parker, Demitrie Nikitin and Federico Somer.

Two Listed as Americans. Gale and Parker are listed as Americans. Magdalena Gale is the wife of Lynn Gale. Nikitin is a Russian, but, according to the literature of the organization, also found refuge in Mexico when summoned by the American draft board. Luna is a Filipino.

Gale, formerly of Albany, N. Y., who is editor of the official organ of the communist party, is one of three who has been appointed as delegates to the third international at Moscow. The others are Barreda and Angel Bernal. Bernal, John Tutt and Jose Villalobos are the executive committee of the L. W. W. branch in Mexico City, over which organization the communist party has announced a certain form of patronage.

Widespread Rule Revealed. The investigation of radicalism in Mexico has shown it to be widespread. Dr. Atl, an agitator of the early days of Carranza's administration, has appeared in Sonora, where, according to American government reports, a co-worker named Lesine and who says he is a cousin of the Russian leader, has been urging workmen to organize for the day when they will drive all foreigners across the border into the United States.

Following is an "appeal" recently published in Mexico by the communist party and which will be submitted to the committee:

"The communist party of Mexico appeals to the communist and left wing socialist parties of the world. 'The worst bandits of the world'—the bandits of internationalism—have been trying for many months to start war between the United States and Mexico.

These bandits, these brigands, these criminals, are outlaws and undeserving of

NEW ROCKET CAN HIT MOON, SAYS SAVANT

APPARATUS TO REACH UNKNOWN REGIONS DESCRIBED.

Only 6 1/2 Minutes Required for Ascent of 230 Miles. Avers Clark College Scientist.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—A method of sending apparatus to the hitherto unexplored higher layers of the air, to the regions beyond the earth's atmosphere, and even as far as the moon itself, is described by Professor Robert H. Goddard of Clark college in a recent publication of the Smithsonian Institution.

The new apparatus is a multiple-charge, high-efficiency rocket of an entirely new design. "The great scientific value of Professor Goddard's experiments," says the announcement, "lies in the possibility of sending recording apparatus to moderate and extreme altitudes within the earth's atmosphere. The highest level that has ever been reached with recording instruments is about 19 miles, accomplished with a free balloon. As the earth's atmosphere extends some 200 miles out, there is a great unknown region, knowledge of which would greatly benefit the science of meteorology.

"The new rocket apparatus would go straight up and come straight down, the whole operation probably consuming less than half an hour. Thus daily observations at any desired altitude for use in weather prediction could be easily taken. "The time of ascent of the rocket will be very short, only 6 1/2 minutes being required to carry the apparatus up 230 miles, somewhere near the outer limits of the earth's atmosphere. "The too-rapid descent of the recording instruments could easily be checked by the use of a small parachute."

WOMAN BURNED; MAY DIE

Home Also Destroyed as Result of Oil Explosion.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—By the explosion of a five-gallon can of oil while she was starting the kitchen fire this afternoon, Mrs. Rosa Carlson, wife of J. W. Carlson, was probably fatally burned. Her 6-month-old child also was severely burned about the face and shoulders, but the injuries are not considered fatal. The house was gutted, all the furniture and personal effects of the family being destroyed.

With her clothing afire the woman was screaming through the house, spreading the flames as she fled to the parlor, where Mr. Carlson was reading. As quickly as possible he wrapped her in a rug and extinguished the flames. Mrs. Carlson was taken to the hospital. The child was asleep in the bedroom and after attending to his wife Mr. Carlson rescued the baby.

LAKE ICE RE-SURFACED

Laurelhurst Skaters Still Use Product of Zero Weather.

Ice skating has been resumed at Laurelhurst park and scores departed themselves on the ice there yesterday. Unofficial reports said that ice on ponds all about the city was thick enough for skating, but only a few were out to enjoy it.

Park Superintendent Keyser said the ice in Laurelhurst park had not melted since the zero weather in December, because the snow had been swept off the ice. The ice had softened it temporarily. As soon as it began to freeze park employees flooded the surface of the pond with the result that they had ice a foot thick with a fresh surface.

SCULPTOR NOW MACHINIST

Maker of Oregon Monument Starts New Endeavor to Earn Livelihood.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—Douglas Tilden, sculptor, creator of many statues commemorative of Pacific coast history, has become a machinist in a San Francisco factory. A lack of appreciation of art asserted itself shortly after the European war began, he said today, and drove him into another line of endeavor to earn a livelihood.

"War, automobile and economic unrest," he declared, "are responsible for the indifference manifested in art."

Among his works is the monument to the Oregon volunteers of the Spanish-American war at Portland.

DEMOCRATS TO GATHER

Homer S. Cummings to Speak to Chiefs on Campaign Issues.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Democratic chiefs from all parts of the country will gather here February 5 for a dinner in honor of Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the democratic national committee, to be given under the auspices of the National Democratic club.

Mr. Cummings and other leaders of the party will speak on issues in the forthcoming presidential campaign.

11,000 RABBITS KILLED

Forty Thousand Shots Fired in Walla Walla County Drive.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 11.—More than 11,000 rabbits were killed in the drive near Burbank today, thousands of the bunnies escaping because the shooters ran out of ammunition.

Forty thousand shots were fired. Within the last few months 25,000 rabbits were killed in drive in counties bordering the Columbia river.

FIGHT AT TIJUANA ROUSES STEPHENS

Governor of California Plans to Intervene.

DISRESPECT TO LAW CHARGED

Steps to Block Carpenter Passport Threatened.

BOXING HELD OFFENSIVE

Restrictions Imposed by State Are Evaded by Crossing Border.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 11.—Governor William D. Stephens of California announced today that he would ask the government at Washington to enforce passport restrictions that would prevent the proposed world's championship bout between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier at Tijuana, Mexico, just across the border line from California.

Governor Stephens' statement follows: "According to press dispatches it is proposed that a prize fight between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier shall be held at Tijuana, just across the Mexican border. The negotiations and plans are going forward in a large part within the state of California in disrespect to the law thereof."

"It is planned to step across the border and there consummate something that is unlawful within our state and thus circumvent our statutes. "It is my duty to command respect for the laws of California. I shall therefore feel obliged, if necessary, to make protest to the federal government and request that it exercise its powers and regulations and control of the international boundary so as to prevent the holding of this contest."

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NEW ZEALAND STILL WET

Prohibition Forces Fail to Get Majority of Votes.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Jan. 11.—By reason of the failure of prohibitionists to obtain a majority of votes in the recent "no license" referendum, New Zealand will remain wet and the present license system will continue. The official vote made public today showed that for continuance of the licensing system 240,958 votes were cast, for state purchase and control of liquor 32,148 and for prohibition 270,178.

BRYAN ASKS SENATE TO RATIFY QUICKLY

CONCESSIONS AND COMPROMISE ON TREATY REQUEST.

Nebraska Declares Action by January 16. When League Meets, Would Be Fitting.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 11.—William J. Bryan, at his home here tonight, continued his efforts looking to a ratification of the treaty of peace by mutual concessions and compromise. Mr. Bryan tonight sent a number of telegrams to senators at Washington, urging them to write in an endeavor to bring about a ratification not later than January 16. It was peculiarly fitting, he declared, that ratification be accomplished by that time, as January 16 was the date fixed for the first meeting of the league of nations at Paris. This reason, he said, appealed to him strongly and he believed it would have the same influence on members of the senate.

Mr. Bryan is here for a 36-hour stay at the home of his brother, Charles W. Bryan, ex-mayor. Tonight, he was the principal speaker at a temperance jubilee meeting. Tomorrow he will make three addresses. He will leave for the east in the evening, making a political address at Omaha tomorrow night. "Whether he would be present at the democratic convention at San Francisco as a delegate or a newspaperman Mr. Bryan said was unsettled, adding that he was a trifle indifferent regarding the capacity in which he attended, but that he would be there."

Mr. Bryan plans to be back in Washington on Friday, where he is to make a speech. While he will be more or less active in a political sense from now on, he has no definite intentions mapped out looking to a tour of the country. "Discussing political affairs in Nebraska, Mr. Bryan said the liquor question happily had about ceased to be an issue."

TEUTONS AFTER EX-KAISER

Germans Declare Duty Is to Permit Trial by Allies.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—Germans are urged to turn over former Emperor William for trial by the allies in resolutions adopted at a public meeting of the New Fatherland league here today.

"In signing the treaty of Versailles," the resolutions said, "Germany consented to the trial of William II. It is, therefore, the duty of the German people to execute the treaty and every attempt to prevent procedure against the former kaiser must be branded as a political crime."

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COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND

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Charge That Politics Actuated Members of Fish and Game Board to Be Investigated.

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"Resolved, by the house and senate concurring, that a special committee consisting of five members, three from the house to be appointed by the speaker, and two from the senate to be appointed by the president, be selected to make investigation of the charges alleged, and all matters relative to the condition of the board of fish and game commissioners, and its members in any matter materially affecting the fish and game matters of this state, and that said committee report its findings as far

as practicable to the legislature on or before the 15th day of February next. (Concluded on Page 3, Column 3.)

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LOS ANGELES SHRINE AUDITORIUM BURNED

ALMAIKAH TEMPLE SUFFERS DAMAGE OF \$200,000.

Eighty Per Cent of Loss Is Covered by Insurance; Blame for Fire Is Laid on Gas Heater.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 11.—Shrine auditorium, property of the Almahkah Auditorium association, an organization of members of the Almahkah temple, 3010 E. 10th St., was destroyed by fire late today. The loss to the building and its contents was estimated at \$200,000, and 80 per cent of that was said to be covered by insurance.

Early theories as to the fire was of incendiary origin were revised and the blame was laid on a defective gas heater.

Seventy-five thousand persons, it was estimated, had gathered to attend the building where many notable gatherings had been held, where many of the world's greatest musicians had been heard, and where many an important national affair, including President Wilson and Senator Hiram W. Johnson, had spoken in recent months.

During the fire, which damaged several adjoining buildings and threatened others, an airplane swooped down almost to the tips of the flames and then circled over the burning auditorium.

Five men, three members of the fire department and two volunteer firemen, were injured.

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WOMEN PLAN WAR ON RISQUE FILMS

Campaign for Cleanup Afoot in Portland.

GENSORS' STAND COMMENDED

Rigid Ban on Objectionable Features Demanded.

FEDERATION VIEWS ISSUE

Delegates Declare "Evil" Will Be Put Squarely up to Each Club for Decisive Action.

Clubwomen of the city are due to open up a campaign for clean motion pictures in Portland if the predictions of a number of the delegates who attended Saturday's meeting of the city federation have any weight. As a rule practically every woman who attends these monthly gatherings makes a report to the organization she represents and because the sessions of the federation was given over largely to a discussion of the present troubles of the censorship board, it has been considered likely that this matter will have a prominent place in the business of the club programmes in the next few weeks.

While the women speak most frequently of objectionable bids for proper films, they propose to make the stock company productions. The film censorship episode bids fair to precipitate a general fight against anything savoring of the salacious.

Several women, who will report to their clubs this