

MADERO CONSIDERS TEMPORARY TRUCE

Foreigners May Have Chance to Move.

DIAZ IS REPORTED WILLING

Mexican President Defies Senate to Remove Him.

COMMITTEE IS IGNORED

American on Honeymoon Is Among Those Killed in Fighting, Which Still Makes Capital Place of Extreme Danger.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 15, 8 P. M.—The proposition is under consideration by Madero and his Ministers to declare a truce of from 12 to 24 hours. The matter has been referred to General Huerta, who has suspended hostilities until 11 o'clock, when his answer will be given.

While the federal guns pounded the Diaz fortifications in the arsenal and the rebels sent back shell for shell, the Senate sat today and discussed the ousting of Madero from the Presidency.

The fighting in the streets of the Mexican capital at times today was as savage as on any other day of the week's battle.

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WILSON ARRANGES INAUGURAL PLANS

FAMILY WILL GO TO WASHINGTON ON MARCH 3.

President-elect Will Be Guest of Princeton Alumni at Smoker Night Before Inauguration.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 15.—President-elect Wilson explained his plans for the inauguration so far as they had been arranged.

Mr. Wilson and his family will leave here at 11 A. M. on Monday, March 3, on a special train as guests of the student body of Princeton University, arriving in Washington at 4 P. M. He will attend a smoker given in his honor that night by the Princeton Alumni Association of the District of Columbia.

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"HANDS OFF" POLICY WILL BE CONTINUED

Taft and Cabinet Cavalry Situation.

LATE NIGHT SESSION HELD

Madero's Request for Non-Intervention Considered.

EARLY PEACE NOT SEEN

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SESSION'S END NOT SEEN TILL MARCH 1

Oregon Legislature Adjournment May Wait.

HOUSE DECIDES TOMORROW

Westerlund of Medford Asks Prolonged Assembly.

SENATE LIKELY DIVIDED

Plan Includes Dismissal of Stenographic Aides and to Have House Members Remain at Salem at Own Expense.

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BRIDGE BILL VOTE AROUSES CHEERING

HOUSE TAKES FAVORABLE ACTION, 37 TO 12.

County May Issue Bonds and Deduct Interest Amount From Taxes Due to State.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The House tonight passed the Nolta interstate bridge bill and enabling act introduced by the Multnomah delegation.

Nolta, of Multnomah, briefly told of the benefits of the span and Speaker McArthur explained its provisions to the members.

Speaker McArthur said it is probable that three big railroads will build across the bridge, thereby giving a good revenue to cut down the interest cost.

Loggins, of Multnomah, detailed the great work already done by the interstate bridge committee.

When the vote, which was 37 to 12, was announced, cheers broke forth from all sections of the House.

PRINTER'S MISTAKE VITAL

Tax Levy of \$1,500,000 May Be Saved for State Highway Fund.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—A printers' mistake may save the \$1,500,000 tax levy for the state highway fund, agreed upon by the Washington Legislature.

Lawyers discovered today that the bill was not properly drawn up and that in its present form the courts would be certain to hold the levy illegal.

The bill already passed by the House, the discovery was made that the printer had used the word "prepare" for the word "repair," may save the bill.

Because of an amendment by the Senate correcting this error the bill had to be sent back to the House. That body can now refuse to concur on this amendment and send the bill back to the Senate, which can draw the entire bill in its proper form.

Otherwise, it is declared the good roads legislation so greatly desired by all sections of the state would have had to wait another two years in all probability.

PLANT LIFE AGE AT POLE ESTABLISHED

Climate Temperate in Past Eras Is Belief.

VOLCANOES BURN BENEATH ICE

Twice Since Creation Antarctic Not Frigid It Is Held.

FOSSILS WELL PRESERVED

Collections Greatly Enrich Science, Says Evans, and Will Solve Here-tofore Unsettled Theories.

Copyright, 1913, by The New York Times Company and The Oregonian. CHRISTCHURCH, N. Z., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—That science has been enriched to an even greater degree than is now comprehended, by the findings of the late Captain Scott and his party in the British Antarctic expedition is indicated by Commander Evans in his continued chronicle.

His story of the result of the geological surveys and other incidents in the long trip in the region of the South Pole, and in which he accounts for apparent belief that the Antarctic zone once or possibly twice in the history of the world had a temperate climate and an abundance of plant life, follows:

Geological results were obtained on the ascent of Mount Erebus. The geological work done by the three parties, southern, western and northern, is likely to prove of great value, especially as furnishing evidence relative to a formed connection between Australia and South America through the Antarctic continent.

The collection and notes made by the several parties on Beardmore glacier are far better than was to be expected under the conditions.

This is the most southerly outcrop of rock on the route selected. There was no geologist in the southern party. In spite of this, collections were made with great judgment from a height of 8000 feet, fossil plants and coal were brought back, being collected from almost the same place as was the coal discovered by Shackleton.

The plant fossils were very well preserved in sandstone and shales and probably belong to late palaeozoic or early mesozoic times. Lower down the glacier a find of fossils was made, consisting of corals in primitive form, typical of the early palaeozoic period.

Numerous igneous rocks were also collected. These collections were chiefly made by Dr. Wilson and Lieutenant Bowers under adverse conditions. Their notes are necessarily not at present available.

Climate Once Temperate Perhaps. Until experts have access to this material it is unwise to make definite inferences. In general terms it may be said that there is proof of temperate conditions of climate having obtained in the Antarctic at two periods of time in past ages.

The Western party under Griffith Taylor made two journeys to the mainland to Victoria Land for purely scientific purposes. A detailed geological and topographical survey was made from Mount Discovery to Granite Harbor and material gathered for a thorough description of antarctic physiography. Ice phenomena were especially observed and several measurements of the movements of glaciers made. In the case of Mackay glacier this amounted to 80 feet for one month.

At Granite Harbor coal was found in the Beacon sandstone formation. It proved to be a semi-anthraxite of medium quality and is probably of the (Concluded on Page 12.)

SOME OF THE PAST WEEK'S EVENTS ARE ILLUMINED BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.

