BRYAN ECONOMIES ENTERTAIN CAPITAL

Secretary Gravely Tells How He Planned and Pared to Save Nation $120.

FOOTMAN PRIVATELY PAID

Government Carefully Recompensed for Time Consumed by Messenger, but Own Salary Goes On During Lecture Tours.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 18.—William J. Bryan, economizer, stands about as well with public men at Washington as does William J. Bryan, diplomat. This is equivalent to saying that in both capacities the Secretary of State is regarded by all save a few as a joke.

To the long illuminating list of items chalked up against the Secretary of State is now added his testimony before the House committee on appropriations, where he told how he had saved the Government $120 a year in the State Department. In all seriousness, the Secretary of State explained in detail to the committee how, after much care and manipulation and figuring, he had reduced the running expenses of the State Department $120 a year.

Secretary Tells How It Was Done.

"The way we did it was this," said Secretary Bryan. "The $900 clerkships have been hard to fill, and we decided to ask that 19 $900 clerkships be raised to $1000, making a total increase of $1800. Then, in order to prevent an increase in the appropriation, we cut off one of these clerks. There were 19 and we made it 18, which saved $900, and reduced the increase to $900. Then we saved $500 on rent, which reduced the increase to $400, and then we saved $520 on the estimate for furniture, which gave us a net reduction of $120, and the rest of it we left as it was."

Having explained thus, the Secretary of State sat back with the supreme satisfaction of a man who had saved the Federal Treasury from ruin.

It was in the course of this same testimony that Secretary Bryan displayed such a keen desire to protect the Government against graft. It has been the custom for years for the Government to employ and pay a driver for the Secretary of State, also providing the Secretary with horses and a carriage. Custom also has recognized the right of the Secretary of State to detail a messenger from the State Department to act as footman, whenever the Secretary or his wife desired to drive about and make or return calls.

Footman Paid Privately.

Secretary Bryan defended the right of a Secretary of State to have a footman as well as driver on his official carriage, but he said it was not just for the Secretary to take a State Department messenger, on pay for services in the Department, and require him while receiving pay as a messenger to act as a footman. Therefore, he had undertaken to pay this messenger for his time while serving as footman on the official carriage, and had deducted from the messenger's official pay the amount which he had paid out of his own pocket. In other words, the messenger's pay remained fixed but for the time he acted as footman he was paid by the Secretary, and the Government paid him only when he was acting as messenger in the State Department.

Secretary Bryan omitted to tell the committee whether he will deduct from his own salary the amounts paid him for time when he has been on the Chautauqua circuit or when away from Washington delivering political or other addresses. Thus far, Secretary Bryan is understood to have drawn his full salary.

PRESIDENT'S AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON TO CONFER ON MEXICAN CRISIS

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SECRETARY BRYAN AND JOHN LIND, FROM SNAPSHOT TAKEN APRIL 14 LAST.

REPRISAL IS CONSIDERED

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lute was fired to an American flag flying from the mast of the Dolphin. It is believed the purpose of this is not to provoke any unnecessary demonstration against foreigners in Tampico.

While predictions as to what will happen were numerous, there were some officials high in the councils of the Administration who believed Huerta would not yield, but would force the United States to land marines or occupy coast towns. With the act of American aggression completed, the officials believe Huerta will attempt to appeal to the patriotism of all factions in Mexico to repel the invader. Some observers foresee in such a move an embarrassing situation for the constitutionalist chief, which, they think, might produce dissension and a possible disintegration of the rebel forces.

Officials Resolutely Calm.

Though showing their anxiety about the situation, high officials settled down to await Huerta's answer with resolute calm. Both President Wilson and Secretary Bryan attended the wedding late today of Chairman Flood, of the House foreign affairs committee, and Miss Anna V. Portner, of Appomattox, Va.

Secretary Daniels, in Cleveland, O., arranged to return here tomorrow, and while the President is at White Sulphur Springs, Secretary Bryan will keep him informed of developments.

Official business was interrupted at the White House, callers being turned away with the statement that "grave business" was being considered.

It was 2 o'clock before the ultimatum to Huerta had been put into cipher and dispatched from Washington. Officials estimated it would be delivered in Mexico City early tonight. Allowing time for its consideration by Huerta and his advisers, it was not believed an answer would be ready before late at night at the earliest and could not reach here until some time tomorrow.

Navy Working Secretly.

In the meantime the aides at the Navy Department went into secret conference, completing plans for the movement of warships and marines. Rear-Admiral Victor Blue, Acting Secretary of the Navy, forwarded to Rear-Admiral Badger, on the flagship Arkansas, at the head of the fleet speeding to Mexico, the text of President Wilson's telegram giving Huerta until 6 o'clock Sunday. It also was forwarded to Rear-Admiral Fletcher at Vera Cruz, who will communicate it to Rear-Admiral Mayo at Tampico. Rear-Admiral Howard, commander of the squadron in Pacific Mexican waters, also was notified. The fourth marine regiment on the Pacific Coast was ordered southward. The armored cruiser South Dakota, with 260 marines, was dispatched from Bremerton, Wash., to Mare Island, where the remaining 600 marines will be divided with the collier Jupiter. Then the two craft will steam to San Diego to await further orders.

The powerful new dreadnoughts Texas and New York, at New York, although not under orders, are ready to start for Mexico on 12 hours' notice. The Virginia, Georgia, Nebraska and Rhode Island, now at Boston, would be ready by the end of the month.

Present Force Sufficient.

The transport Hancock has already arrived at Tampico with 800 marines, and the cruisers Des Moines and San Francisco, the gunboat Dolphin, the scout cruiser Chester, the transport Buffalo and the Cyclops already are there.

At Vera Cruz Rear-Admiral Fletcher has the battleships Florida and Utah and the transports Prairie, with a large complement of marines. The battleships under Rear-Admiral Badger were reported off Key West, Fla., and are to arrive on Tuesday. On orders from Washington they could reach Tampico by Monday. It was generally agreed, however, that the force now at Tampico and Vera Cruz is sufficient to carry out any plan of action President Wilson may direct.

Local Option Petition Attacked.

LEWISTON, Idaho, April 18.—(Special.)—An affidavit has been filed here to procure dismissal of the petition for a local option election which the County Commissioners are considering. The affidavit says that the petition fails to give the postoffice addresses of more than 700 persons whose names appear thereon.

Alum is worn as a charm in parts of Asia Minor. A triangular piece is placed in a case of silver and worn suspended from a string about the neck.

HUERTA MUST YIELD

Limit Set at 7:36 P. M. Today, Washington Time.

FIRM SUPPORT ASSURED

Fleet Continues to Steam Southward but No Orders to Army Are Issued—Foreign Governments Are Formally Notified.

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including time for ciphering and deciphering, an answer was not expected here before early Monday morning, assuming that Huerta takes the full time for indicating his intentions.

President Wilson made arrangements to leave tonight for White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., to bring Mrs. Wilson, who has been ill, back to Washington. He will arrive at the health resort tomorrow morning and leave tomorrow night, reaching the capital early Monday.

Huerta's continued evasiveness and his desperate condition, both from a financial and military point of view, on account of the recent rebel victories, led many high officials to believe he would defy the Unted States and take chances on the consequences, in which the national spirit may be aroused, joining the different factions.

Rebels Promise Status Quo.

The Mexican constitutionalist representatives here were in communication with Secretary Bryan today, inquiring the trend of events. Well informed sources said the constitutionalists would not under any circumstances unite with Huerta, but would maintain a status quo in the territory they controlled if the United States took no offensive action against them.

Ambassadors and Ministers, too, were eager to learn the intent of the American Government and were supplied with information at the State Department. A summary of the developments of the day was cabled to all American legations and embassies for the information of foreign governments.

In the meantime the Atlantic fleet continues steaming southward to Mexican ports. No orders were issued to the Army.

The determination to force a definite reply from Huerta, ending tolerance of his dilatory tactics, was emphasized strongly in the day's developments. It was a day of action in official circles, reminiscent to many of the scenes of 1898, for at no time since then has a President threatened to ask Congress to use the Army and Navy to enforce a foreign policy.

President Summoned in Haste.

The knowledge that the Mexican situation had reached a turning point spread throughout the National capital. For two hours, while clerks deciphered a long message from Charge O'Shaughnessy, a half hundred correspondents waited in the corridors of the State Department for an inkling of its contents. Then Secretary Bryan sent for Secretary Tumulty. President Wilson had gone to play golf, expecting no developments until noon. Mr. Bryan and Mr. Tumulty briefly conferred and then hurried to a waiting automobile and were soon speeding toward the Virginia hills, where the President was playing.

In the meantime the White House had telephoned to the Golf Club and a secret service man ran out to the ninth hole and communicated a message. The President abandoned the links and got into his big motor car. On the way toward Washington he met Secretary Bryan and Mr. Tumulty. The party sped back to the White House.

Huerta Described as Obstinate.

Officials at the State Department meanwhile had described Huerta's message as "inconclusive." Though the text of Huerta's answer was not made public, other officials described the dictator's attitude as "very obstinate" and insisting on a simultaneous salute. Naval officers said there was no such thing as a "simultaneous salute."

Apologies are given in a salute of 21 guns fired at intervals of ten seconds, after the completion of which the party offended returns the salute.

That Huerta had merely "suggested" and "inquired" also was revealed and officials found they had interpreted his previous "inquiries" and "suggestions" as promises.

When the President reached the White House, Postmaster-General Burleson was waiting. Acting Chairman Shively, of the Senate foreign relations committee arrived a few minutes later. They studied the Huerta message only a few minutes and were unanimously agreed on a reply which was dispatched to Charge O'Shaughnessy.

UNITED STATES FORCES NOW READY FOR DUTY AT MEXICAN PORTS

Vessel and Commander.	Number of Guns.	Officers and Men.
WARSHIPS NOW AT TAMPICO.		
Connecticut, Captain John J. Knapp	44	953
Minnesota, Captain Edward Simpson	44	953
Chester, Commander W. A. Moffit	10	373
Des Moines, Commander C. T. Vogelsang	18	309
San Francisco, Commander W. K. Harrison	8	125
Dolphin, Lieutenant-Commander Ralph Earle	2	115
Hancock (transport), Commander Arthur C. Willard	..	950
VESSELS NOW AT VERA CRUZ.		
Utah, Captain Louis S. Vanduser	34	940
Florida, Captain William R. Rush	34	995
Prairie, Commander Herman O. Stickney	10	115
VESSELS NOW ON PACIFIC SIDE.		
California, Captain Newton A. McCully	18	921
Glacier, Lieutenant-Commander Charles H. Tozer	..	115
Annapolis, Commander Henry J. Ziegemeier	6	160
Justin, Henry T. Meriweather, master	..	175
New Orleans, Commander Noble E. Irwin	10	346
VESSELS ON WAY TO TAMPICO.		
Arkansas (flagship), Captain Roy C. Smith	33	1036
South Carolina, Captain Robert E. Russell	30	805
Michigan, Captain Albert P. Niblack	30	805
New Hampshire, Captain Edwin A. Anderson	44	983
Louisiana, Captain John H. Gibbon	44	953
Vermont, Captain George W. Kline	44	953
New Jersey, Captain Joseph L. Jayne	35	910
Celtic, Lieutenant-Commander J. V. Keelman	..	110
Tacoma, Commander Nathan C. Twining	10	509
Culgoa, Lieutenant-Commander Edwin H. Delaney	..	110
Nashville, Commander Lucius A. Bostwick	14	183
Solace, Medical Inspector L. L. Vanwedekind	..	75
Brutus, Isaac Carver, master	..	150
HELD IN READINESS FOR MEXICAN SERVICE.		
Rhode Island, Captain Clarence S. Williams	36	910
Nebraska, Captain George R. Evans	36	910
Virginia, Captain John C. Leonard	36	910
Georgia, Captain Robert E. Coonts	36	910
Two divisions of torpedo flotilla, 17 vessels.		

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Sale.

April 15 to May 15, 1914. National anniversary reductions $50 off our lowest "one-price" prices. This $50 anniversary reduction is a National one. We charge that $50 to the manufacturer. Our Kranich & Bach Upright Pianos prices $495 and $535; our Kranich & Bach Player Piano prices, $815 and $885; our Kranich & Bach Player Grand prices, $1375 and $1600; our Kranich & Bach Baby Grand prices, $765 and $935. Less the anniversary reduction of $50, you will need to pay but $445 cash or $12 monthly for a new latest model Kranich & Bach Upright Piano if you purchase during time of the anniversary sale, from April 15 to May 15, 1914. Graves Music Co., new store, 149-151 Fourth St.—Adv.

China has been hit hard by the increased cost of living. The price of rice has jumped 50 per cent since 1911, due partly to the famine and more to the destruction of crops during the fighting on the Yangtze.

PACIFIC FLEET IS ASTIR

CRUISER SOUTH DAKOTA STEAMS SOUTH FOR MORE ORDERS.

Three Hundred Troops Aboard Will Be Merged With 500 at Mare Island. Cleveland to Be Ready Soon.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—In company with the Atlantic fleet the Pacific fleet is making ready for action.

With 300 marines aboard, the cruiser South Dakota is steaming to the Mare Island Navy-Yard from the Bremerton yard for further orders. There her complement of marines will be merged with 500 in the barracks at Mare Island and the whole force will be transshipped by the Collier Jupiter, which received orders today to sail for San Diego, where there is waiting a torpedo flotilla. Work is being rushed on the cruiser Cleveland, which will be discharged from drydock tomorrow.

Although no orders have been received yet, the supposition is that the fleet will rendezvous at some Mexican port not yet named with those ships already on duty in Southern waters. From the fact that marines are carried it is supposed that the occupation of some one of the west Mexican ports is regarded as a possibility.

BRITISH OIL QUEST MOVES

Pearson Interests Acquire Options in Algeria Country.

LONDON, April 17.—The Pearson oil interests, after the failure of Lord Murray, of Elibank's adventure in South America, are now prospecting for oil in Morocco and Algeria. They have dispatched several geological experts to these countries to ascertain whether conditions are such as to justify the investment of capital to prove oil. If their experts send satisfactory reports there will be no delay in beginning boring operations.

Without waiting for the results of these investigations, the Pearson interests have exercised options on the properties of the Oran Oil Company, in Algeria, and have acquired another option on some properties in the Constantine oil fields, also in Algeria. In addition, they have earmarked properties on their own account in Algeria and Morocco.

The work is being directed by Lord Murray.

DYNAMITE BLOWS HOME

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carrying close to 60 men, but owing to the slack logging conditions several men had been let out and the wages of others reduced.

Mr. Gilmore left tonight to join his wife in Vancouver.

The authorities probably will secure more bloodhounds from Salem tomorrow to carry on the search for clews, several of which will be run down before any suspects are arrested.

BACK HURT: RIB BROKEN

Mrs. Gilmour Will Recover; Talks of Attempt on Husband's Life.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. H. Gilmour, of Scappoose, brought here suffering from injuries received when her home was wrecked by dynamite, was rushed to the hospital and late tonight it was announced that, though she was suffering injuries to her back and one of her ribs was broken, she will recover.

Mrs. Gilmour, when seen, after an operation, talked of the explosion, declaring she was at a loss to know the direct cause of the deed. She said:

"It was on March 22 that we found coal oil poured on our front porch and an attempt made to fire our home. We did not give the matter much thought then, though we were on the lookout for any suspicious characters about the camp.

"Last night I saw a man crouching around our house about 9 o'clock, but it was so dark I could make out nothing but a man's figure. He peered into the window of the commissary, where Mr. Gilmour then was working. That was the last we saw of him, and little did we know that four hours later an attempt again was to be made on our lives.

"Robert, our 13-year-old boy, slept clear through the noise and tumult, but our 5-year-old son, Henry, awoke with Mr. Gilmour and myself. The children were sleeping in the room adjoining us and as the dynamite charge was placed directly under our bed we received the greatest shock. I think I was injured when I fell on the wreckage, after being blown several feet away.

"No, I can't imagine what could have been the cause, though I am under the impression that it may have been through jealousy, for Mr. Gilmour has treated all his men with the greatest respect at all times."

BRAIN SURGERY SUCCEEDS

Cerebral Abscess Is Removed by Delicate Operation.

BALTIMORE, April 16.—Surgeons of the Baltimore Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, have just performed a remarkable operation on the brain of Jane White, a young woman.

When the patient was brought unconscious to the hospital the surgeons discovered that an abscess covered half her brain. Death seemed inevitable within a week. The surgeons determined that only the most delicate operation could furnish relief. It was impossible to cut the entire abscess away, as it had grown too deeply into the parts. The pressure on the brain, however, was entirely relieved, and the greater part of the affected portion removed.

The woman's condition is rapidly improving, and unless she suffers an unexpected relapse she will be able, the doctors say, to leave the hospital practically cured within two or three weeks. She has regained consciousness.

Recent high-speed wireless tests in England resulted in sending 145 words a minute.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

Kansas City Life Insurance Company

of Kansas City, in the State of Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1913, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital stock paid up	$ 100,000.00
Income.	
Total premium income	1,812,779.43
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	293,150.05
Income from other sources received during the year	14,943.57
Total income	$ 2,120,873.05
Disbursements.	
Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrender values	$ 312,599.04
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year	169,277.17
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	8,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	655,659.79
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	30,842.78
Amount of all other expenditures	117,849.05
Medical examiners' fees and inspection	68,015.23
Total expenditures	$ 1,362,543.06
Assets.	
Market value of stocks and bonds owned	$ 34,760.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	2,872,270.57
Premium notes and policy loans	558,998.14
Cash in banks and on hand	294,467.86
Net uncollected and deferred premiums	135,563.00
Other assets (net)	48,147.20
Total assets	$ 3,944,206.57
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$ 3,944,206.57
Liabilities.	
Net reserve	$ 3,173,807.00
Total policy claims unpaid	28,947.00
All other liabilities	414,722.34
Unassigned surplus	226,730.23
Total liabilities exclusive of capital stock of	$ 3,844,206.57
Total insurance in force December 31, 1913	$54,061,305.33
Business in Oregon for the Year.	
Total risks written during the year	$ 165,000.00
Gross premiums received during the year	18,525.58
Premiums returned during the year	108.33
Losses paid during the year	1,000.00
Losses incurred during the year	1000.00
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1913	$ 800,125.00

KANSAS CITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

By FRED W. FLEMING, Secretary.

Statutory general agent and attorney for service: L. V. Rawlings, Gen. Agt., 423-6 Yeon Bldg., Portland, Or.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF

Miller's Mutual Fire Insurance Ass'n of Illinois.

of Alton, in the State of Illinois, on the 31st day of December, 1913, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital stock paid up—No capital, mutual.	
Income.	
Premiums received during the year in cash	$260,194.08
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	20,793.58
Total income	$280,987.66
Disbursements.	
Losses paid during the year	$206,659.30
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	28,584.52
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	6,484.84
Amount of all other expenditures	21,804.27
Total expenditures	$263,532.93
Assets.	
Value of real estate owned	$ 5,000.00
Value of stocks and bonds owned	417,780.68
Cash in banks and on hand	47,791.07
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission	8,333.70
Interest and rents due and accrued	7,289.97
Total assets	$486,195.42
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$486,195.42
Liabilities.	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$ 5,175.00
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	90,462.60
All other liabilities	4,908.82
Total liabilities exclusive of capital stock of	$100,545.42
Total premiums in force December 31, 1913	$180,927.19
Business in Oregon for the Year.	
Total risks written during the year	$396,985.00
Gross premiums received during the year	4,091.29
Premiums returned during the year	1,692.39
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1913	99,035.00

MILLER'S MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE ASS'N OF ILLINOIS.

BY G. A. M'KINNEY, Secretary.

Statutory general agent and attorney for service, H. M. Grant, Portland, Oregon.