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MEXICO REVOLUTIONISTS MAY CAPTURE CITY NEAR EL PASO

Insurgents Ready to Attack Ciudad Juarez and People Flee.

SERVE TWELVE HOUR NOTICE ON INHABITANTS

United States May Send Troops Across to Protect American Interests.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—The Cabinet is now considering the question of the use of American troops to protect American interests in Juarez. It will be necessary to secure the consent of the Mexican government for crossing the Rio Grande by the American forces, and if granted the activity of the troops will be confined to maintaining order in Juarez. Eleven additional troops of cavalry have been ordered to the frontier to preserve neutrality.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 3.—Ciudad Juarez, Mex., the city across the international border from El Paso, apparently is at the mercy of the insurgents, who are converging to attack the place, and who are reported within eight miles of the city. Notice of intention to fire upon the town has been sent by the insurgent leaders, but as, according to their declarations their messenger was captured and is being held prisoner, no official notice has yet reached the foreign consuls and twelve hours more will be allowed El Paso before the attack will be made.

An unexpected angle was given the situation today by the possible action of the United States government in considering the advisability of sending American troops into Juarez to protect American interests and prevent the threatened bombardment.

Only three hundred federal troops guard Juarez. In this connection it is said the Mexican government has asked permission to send reinforcements to Juarez from Sonora across the United States territory, the railway lines of Mexico being blocked. Juarez today is a deserted city. All business is at standstill and hundreds of people fleeing across the international bridge into this city.

ROOT AGAINST LORIMER.

New York Senator Is Against Illinois Man.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—That Lorimer of Illinois holds his seat as the result of bribery and on that account should not be permitted to continue in the Senate is the conclusion reached by Senator Root and announced by him on the floor of the Senate today.

OREGON SYSTEM TO WIN.

Expect U. S. Supreme Court to Uphold Initiative.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—The staff in the office of the clerk of the supreme court believes that the case from Oregon involving the constitutionality of the initiative and referendum will not be reached until at least a year from this time. The case is styled, Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Co. against the State of Oregon. It was filed April 21, 1909, by the appellant telephone company, which resisted the payment of the corporation tax voted by the people of Oregon under the initiative. The company raises the question of the constitutionality of the initiative and referendum, on the ground that these measures destroy the republican form of government guaranteed by the federal constitution. The supreme court of Oregon upheld the laws attacked and the company now seeks in the national supreme court to overthrow them.

BALTIMORE IS AFTER FAIR

New Aspirant For Panama Exposition Enters Ring—Decide Wednesday.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—The Senate Committee on Industrial Expositions did not report today on the exposition city proposition. Baltimore is the latest aspirant for exposition honors and will present its case next Wednesday. It is expected the final decision will be made Wednesday.

EUGENE WINS WATER SUIT

Judge Coke Sustains City In Case Over McKenzie River Rights.

Judge John S. Coke has upheld the demurrer of the city of Eugene to the injunction sought by the Booth-Kelley Lumber company to prevent Eugene from diverting the waters of the McKenzie river for a hydro-electric power plant to furnish water for that city. The case was heard by him at Eugene some time ago.

The case is one of much importance and especially at Eugene where the water supply has been the cause of much trouble. Sometime ago, the city of Eugene voted a bond issue of several hundred thousand dollars to secure a new water supply. In doing so, plans were made to utilize the waters of the McKenzie river to furnish power to pump the water to and through the city of Eugene.

The Booth-Kelley Lumber company has extensive timber interests along the McKenzie river and they sought to enjoin the city from diverting any of its waters on the grounds that it would interfere with the navigability of the river and consequently would hinder or prevent their logging operations.

The city of Eugene demurred to the application for the injunction on the ground that the complaint of the Booth-Kelley company did not show that the diverting of the water would render the McKenzie unnavigable and also because the purpose of the suit was to enjoin a public nuisance.

Judge Coke's ruling is in favor of the city and unless there is appeal from his decision, the city of Eugene can now go ahead with its waterworks plant.

SINGLE TAX IN OREGON.

Millionaire Fels Declares State Will Adopt It.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2.—Joseph Fels of Philadelphia multi-millionaire soap manufacturer and a most militant warrior in the cause of single tax, declared here with great emphasis that Oregon would be the first state in the Union that would fall "under righteous rule," as embodied in the economic philosophy of Henry George. In other words, he says this state will take the lead in adopting the single tax idea, just as it has led in other progressive legislation. Fels declares the fight will never be given up so long as he has the means to prosecute the campaign, and so long as the progressive radical citizens of the land are willing to assist.

A BIG COAL CARRIER IS ASHORE

Norwegian Tramp Steamer Titania In Serious Condition Near Roche Harbor, Wash.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 3.—The Norwegian tramp steamer Titania

carrying coal from Comox to Acapulco ran ashore this morning at Stuart Point, San Juan Island near Roche Harbor, Wash.

The Canadian tugs Salvor and Joliffe are hurrying to her assistance. She carried 26 men. Her position is dangerous as she went on at high tide.

C. A. SMITH BACK ON COOS BAY

Big Lumberman and Associates Arrive On Nann Smith From South.

C. A. Smith, head of the C. A. Smith Lumber company, his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Warriner, and their little daughter and maid, and Jas. S. Brown of Minneapolis, treasurer of the C. A. Smith Lumber company, arrived here on the Nann Smith from San Francisco. Arno Meeen, general superintendent, came up on the Nann Smith, also.

It is understood that Mr. Smith will spend sometime here. He spent the holidays with his family in Minneapolis. He has a number of plans under consideration for further developing his properties on the Bay.

It is understood that Mr. Warriner is to become actively identified with Mr. Smith's lumber interests and is here to familiarize himself with the business.

BANDON WINS AT NORTH BEND

Basketball Team Takes Victory By Score of 16 to 14.

By a score of 16 to 14, the Bandon high school basketball team defeated the North Bend high school team at North Bend last night.

The defeat by Bandon came as a surprise to the North Bend aggregation who were confident of victory as a result of defeating Coquille a couple of weeks ago. However, the Bandon team has made rapid progress in the last couple of weeks and put up some classy work. There was a good turnout.

Bandon will play the Marshfield high school team in the Armory here tonight. The Marshfield team is handicapped on account of illness among its players but expects to be able to put up a good game.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

Agent F. S. Dow yesterday received a telegram stating that the M. F. Plant did not get away from San Francisco until about midnight Wednesday so that she will probably not reach Coos Bay until 5 or 6 o'clock this afternoon.

Capt. Edwards will put the Millcoma on the Marshfield-Allegany run for the balance of the winter in place of the Alert. As soon as the weather will permit the starting of the Drain-Allegany auto line via the Loon Lake, he plans to operate two boats each way a day between Marshfield and Allegany to connect with the auto line.

It is reported that Capt. H. C. Nelson, formerly master of the Nann Smith and the M. F. Plant, will be master of the Ramona when she is put on the Puget Sound-Alaska run to take the place of the Cottage City which was recently wrecked. He was master of the Ramona when that vessel was on the Portland-Coos Bay run a year ago when the Breakwater was undergoing repairs.

COAL RATE IS DECLARED HIGH

Utah and Wyoming Mining Companies Appeal From Railroad Charges.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—Freight rates on bituminous coal from the mines in Utah to points of destination in Utah, Idaho, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Nevada and California were attacked today by the consolidated Fuel Company of Utah and the Castle Valley Coal Company of Wyoming in a complaint filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission against the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad and many other carriers in Rocky Mountain territory.

The rates are declared excessive because principally the carriers refuse to make through rates and joint rates from the mines to the final destinations of the coal.

CHECK BOGUS; WARRANT OUT

Wm. Clapper Charged With Cashing Worthless Piece of Paper.

Justice Penneck yesterday issued a warrant for the arrest of Wm. Clapper, formerly of Coos Bay but now located at Eugene, who is wanted here to explain why he passed a worthless check for \$42 on Merchant & Kammerer.

Sometime ago, Clapper, who was for a time employed on the Rogers' ranch and later employed as a fisherman here, is alleged to have cashed a check for \$42 drawn by A. Culver in favor of Wm. Clapper at the store. He is alleged to have indorsed it as Wm. Clapper. The bank on which the check was drawn did not know any one by the name of A. Culver and it was returned.

Meanwhile Clapper left for Eugene where his parents reside. E. H. Joehnk is having Sheriff Gage bring him back to explain the matter, a criminal charge being made. Joehnk understands that Clapper claims Culver resides at Roseburg.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—Wheat closed as follows: May 95 3/4c; July 93 1/2c; September 92 1/4c.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 3.—Wheat track prices:—Club 79c@80c; Blue-stem 82c@83c; Red Russian 75c; Valley 82c; Fortyfold 80c@81c.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 3.—Blue-stem 84c; Fortyfold 82c; Club 82c; Red Russian 80c.

PEARY MAY LOSE OUT.

Congress May Not Act On North Pole Reward.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—Congress may fail to act this session on the bill to promote Commander Peary to rear admiral. The bill was reported on the private calendar for today but its consideration was postponed. It is not likely the private bills will be again taken up before adjournment.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO SPEND MILLIONS IN THE NORTHWEST

DEAD MEN ON THE PAYROLLS

United States Steel Company Discovers Unique Fraud On Them.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HAMMOND, Ind., Feb. 3.—Charges that "dead men" are carried on the pay roll of the United States Steel Corporation resulted in the arrest of three timekeepers. It is said the alleged peculations will probably exceed \$10,000. An undertaker states that one man was buried many months before his name was stricken from the payroll, and this is said to be only one of many cases.

SAYS INDIANS ARE STARVING

Many of the Aborigines at Colville, Wash., In Dire Want.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 3.—Many Indians on the Colville Reservation in Northern Washington are at the point of starvation asserts interpreter William Nolan who has just returned from that region. "Unless the government pays them money which has long been due them for their lands, great suffering is bound to result. For two years they have had almost total crop failure on the Reservation. The merchants at the trading posts have ceased to give the Indians credit. Many old men among the Colvilles are no longer able to earn a living and they are a constant drain on the younger men and many of them are actually slowly starving to death.

"It has become a matter of common humanity to cut out the red tape and give them relief.

FEAR SMALL JURY.

Federal Court Decision In Coos Bay Case.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 3.—Judge Bean in United States court has remanded the suit of Thomas C. Foster against the Coos Bay Gas & Electric company and W. A. Harrington to the state court of Coos county for trial. The suit was first brought in the Coos county district court and is a personal damage action: Though the corporation is a Washington one, Harrington, the superintendent, was made a party to the suit and hence it was brought in the state court, but removed to the federal court upon application of the defendant.

This action of Judge Bean in remanding the case to the state courts for trial is important because it shows that federal judges will probably hold that where an employe of a defendant company, who is a resident of Oregon, is made a party defendant in a suit, the case properly can be tried in the state courts. The corporations have been eager to get all damage suits into the federal courts since the passage of the three-fourths majority jury law in Oregon, the federal procedure still requiring a unanimous verdict from the jury.

A New Jersey woman wants a divorce because her husband stutters. And yet, when he proposed, she probably regarded him as a charming conversationalist.

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Report That Oregon Will Be Scene of Extensive Operations Soon.

RUMOR TO COOS BAY IS AMONG THEM

Portland Opinion Is That Extension Will Be Via Grants Pass.

HAS NOT HEARD.

C. J. Mills, local representative of the Southern Pacific, this afternoon stated that he had not been apprised whether Coos Bay was included in the budget appropriated by the board of directors for new construction or not. It is uncertain when the details of the proceedings will reach here.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 3.—Much new construction work will be done in Oregon during the next few years as the result of the authorization by the Harriman directors in New York of extensions to the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railways in the Northwest.

While local officials have recommended the building of many new lines they do not know whether all of them have been approved by the Eastern men.

Among the roads that are almost certain to be included in the list is the gap between the North and South links of the Natron-Klamath cutoff on the Southern Pacific, that remains to be done after the present contracts are completed, and the line from Redmond, the ultimate terminus of the Deschutes Valley road, and Odell, a convenient point on the Natron-Klamath cutoff.

Coast Line Considered.

Besides these, the roads that have been receiving the most consideration are that from Grants Pass to a point on the North California coast, probably Crescent City, and that into the Coos Bay district. The East and West line through Oregon via Malheur canyon, rights of way through which were recently complete by the acquisition of a 70-mile strip held by the Hill interests, also may be included. This track, it is figured, will connect with the Deschutes road.

A number of short projects have been recommended by the local officials, and they are hoping that these are included in the authorized construction. It will be several days before it is learned here what work, definitely, has been approved in the East.

BIG SUM APPROPRIATED.

Harriman Lines to Spend \$75,000,000 In New York.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Action of the executive committees of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific lines here means the double-tracking of the O.-W. R. & N. line from Portland eastward to Echo, a distance of 266 miles, by the end of next year.

Authority was also given to double-track the Oregon Short Line from Granger, Wyo., where it joins the Union Pacific, to Huntington, Or., a distance of 541 miles, and to complete double-tracking of the Union Pacific from Omaha to San Francisco, a distance of 2141 miles.

The cost of this double track will exceed \$75,000,000, and will be distributed over five years.

Concerning actions on new lines and extensions, President Lovett said:

"Plans for the construction of a number of extensions and new lines tributary to the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific in the West and Northwest, which for some time have been under consideration, were also approved, the expenditures therefor to extend over a period of six years."