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R. B. NEFF KILLS A. J. WITTMANN

MAN HUNT STARTED

Murderer at Lakeport Then Attempts Life of Charles Walker and Flees to Timber
Posse of Armed Men Search for Slayer Who is Armed and Crazy
NO REAL MOTIVE KNOWN
Some Ill Feeling Had Existed About Some School Matter But Was Not Regarded as Serious—Victim Known as "Curly"

LANGLOIS, Ore., Aug. 16.—A. J. Wittmann, a young rancher, was shot to death in a field on his own place at Lakeport, northern Curry county, Saturday evening and R. B. Neff, the supposed murderer, after also attempting to shoot Charles Walker, is at large and it is feared he will kill others in the neighborhood.
Walker took Neff's gun away from him but it is thought that he armed himself again and escaped to the large expanse of wild timber on the level country back of Lakeport. The territory is thick with underbrush and it is an ideal place for a man to hide.

CONVENTION OPENS ASKS MEXICANS TO TALK PEACE

WILLING TO ASSIST

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION MEETS AT OAKLAND
Ten Thousand Delegates Present and Twenty-Seven Foreign Countries Are Represented
Pan-American Appeal Urges Conference of Leaders Within Border
Repubics Offer to Act as Intermediaries if Invited to Do So
EXPECT REPLY IN TEN DAYS
Military Heads Are Asked to Come Together With Sole Idea of Bettering Conditions in Their Country

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—The Pan-American appeal to Mexico, made public yesterday, although addressed to political and military leaders, takes the form of an announcement to the Mexican people. The appeal, signed by representatives of the United States, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala, says it is inspired by the "most sincere spirit of American fraternity." It says:
"We, believe if the men directing the armed movements in Mexico should agree to meet, either in person or by delegates with no other inspiration save the thought of their afflicted land, to exchange ideas and determine the fate of the country from such action would undoubtedly result a strong and unyielding agreement requisite to creation of a provisional government, which should adopt the first steps necessary to a constitutional reconstruction of the country and to issue, first and most essential of them all, an immediate call to general elections."

WILLING TO HELP
"An adequate place within the Mexican frontiers, which for the purpose might be neutralized, should serve as the seat of the conference and in order to bring about the conference of this nature the undersigned, or any of them, will willingly upon invitation, act as intermediaries."
Reply Expected
"Undersigned expect reply to this communication within a reasonable time, and consider such time would be ten days after the communication is delivered, subject to prorogation for cause."

GOING TO VERA CRUZ
Department Admits Ships Were Ordered to Mexico.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—Secretary Daniels ordered the battleships New Hampshire and Louisiana now in the Gulf of Mexico, to proceed to Vera Cruz. This course generally has been expected but not until today was it acknowledged at the navy department.

AN ANSWER COMES
Carranza Leader in Sonora Sends Reply to Appeal
EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 16.—The Carranza consulate here today announced receipt of a copy of the reply of General Calles, the Carranza commander in Sonora, to the Pan-American appeal for a peace conference of the Mexican leaders. In effect it refers the state department and Latin-American diplomats to Carranza.

REFUSES TO COMPLY U. S. CLAIMS CAN EXPORT ARMS

NOTE MADE PUBLIC

MRS. PANKHURST OBJECTS TO NATIONAL REGISTRATION
Englishwoman Says She Will Not Be Forced to Go to Munition Factory
Firmly But Politely Refuses to Accede to the Demands of Austria-Hungary
States International Law and Security of U. S. Does Not Prohibit the Practice
JUSTIFIES THE POSITION
Hited in the Note That United States If Attacked Might Have to Buy Munitions of War from Neutral Countries

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—Sylvia Pankhurst, famed as a militant suffragist, will not comply with the national registration, she asserts. "I think it merely a ruse to get more power out of the workers," she said. "I am not a man so they cannot take me to war, but they won't send me to a munitions factory. They know there will be trouble."

SENT TO THE COAST
COL. PERKINS TAKES COMMAND OF PUGET SOUND POST
Officer Recently Restored to Service in U. S. Marine Corps is Assigned Place
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—Colonel C. M. Perkins, recently restored to active service in the marine corps by an act of congress, has been assigned to the command of the marine barracks at Puget Sound.

AMERICAN DOLLAR STANDARD OF WORLD
NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—The value of an English pound sterling went steadily down today until it touched \$4.64 in American money, the lowest value ever placed upon it since New York became the financial center. The normal quotation is \$4.87. France fell likewise and the American dollar today was the standard of the world financial market.

SUCCESS SULLIVAN AS U. S. MINISTER IN REPUBLIC
Man Selected by President Formerly Held the Same Position for This Country
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—W. W. Russell, former minister to the Dominican Republic was selected today by President Wilson for appointment to the same position. He will succeed James M. Sullivan, who resigned on account of charges.

GULF STORM SWEPT BALKAN CRISIS NOW AT HAND

ASSEMBLIES MEET

EFFECTS BEING FELT FROM FLORIDA TO TEXAS
Heavy Rains and High Winds Make Trouble—Galveston Reports No Danger There
SAFE AT GALVESTON
GALVESTON, Texas, Aug. 16.—Reports of a destructive storm at this port today are untrue, the wind up to 2 p. m. was in no wise dangerous.
TEUTONS ARE PREPARING
Indications Are that Great Austro-German Offensive Movement in Balkans May Be Made—Forces Gathering on the Border
LONDON, Aug. 16.—Military operations in the eastern field are developing slowly. Both sides show the effects of the intensity of the Warsaw struggle. Berlin today announced that General von Mackensen, continuing the pursuit of the retreating Russians from the south toward Brest Litovsk, occupied Cisle and Slawatycze.

GERMANY HAS NOTE
COMMUNICATION ON SINKING OF THE FRYE DELIVERED
Rejects Proposal to Arbitrate Disputed Portions of the Prussian American Treaty.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—The American reply to the last German note on the sinking of the William F. Frye, has been delivered to the Berlin foreign office by Ambassador Gerard and will be given out here by the state department tomorrow morning for publication in the Tuesday afternoon papers. It is brief and accepts the commission method of determining damages but rejects the proposal to arbitrate the disputed portions of the Prussian American Treaty.

SUICIDES IN JAIL
S. N. EBERSOLE, FORMER DUNKARD MINISTER, TAKES LIFE
Hangs Himself in Jail at South Bend Where He Was Held on a Murder Charge.
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Aug. 16.—Silas N. Ebersole, former Dunkard minister, charged with the murder of 15-year-old Hazel Macklin a year ago, committed suicide by hanging himself in the county jail this morning.

FIND WOMAN DYING
MRS. ROSA DAVENPORT OF FIRST ADDITION SUCCOMBS SUDDENLY
Afflicted by Heart Disease During Night and Never Regains Consciousness—Was Old Resident
Mrs. Rosa Davenport, an old resident of Liberty, died at her home there this morning of heart disease. She had been ailing for a long time but yesterday appeared unusually well. During the night, members of her family found her unconscious and she remained in a comatose condition until the end came about 5 o'clock this morning.

DIES OF INJURIES
EDWARD KILDUFF FATALY HURT AT PROSPER MILL
Taken to Hospital at Bandon Where He Passes Away—Father at Roseburg
BANDON, Ore., Aug. 16.—Edward Kilduff who was injured at the Prosper mill and who was brought to the hospital in this city died Friday night. The mill was starting up and Kilduff was working there. He was struck by a belt and so badly hurt that he died of the injuries.

SHOOT AT SOLDIERS

MEXICANS FIRE ON UNITED STATES CAVALRYMEN

Bandits are Crossing the Border in Scattered Bands and Renewing Attempt to Mobilize
BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Aug. 16.—A detachment of United States cavalry patrol were fired on last night from the Mexican side of the Rio Grande near Progresso. The cavalrymen returned the fire and the shooting from the Mexican side stopped. No casualties among the Americans were reported.

RENEW ATTEMPTS
Reports of renewed attempts by the Mexican bandits to reorganize in the lower Rio Grande valley were brought here today by a captain of the Texas rangers. He said the Mexicans were crossing by ones and twos into Texas and attempted to gather again in Hidalgo county, west of Brownsville. The Twenty-sixth infantry from Texas City went on duty here today.

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WILL NOT STOP APPEAL
Carranza Gives Assurance He Will Not Interfere
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—Assurances that Carranza will not obstruct the delivery of the Pan-American appeal to Mexico reached the state department today in a message from C. B. Parker of the American embassy in Mexico City, saying General Gonzalez, Carranza's commander there, "Promised safe conduct to the messengers who are to carry the appeal to Zapata and others." No replies to the Pan-American

AMONG THE SICK
Mrs. Frank Rogers was reported quite ill at her home on South Coos River yesterday.

CADETS DISMISSED

TWO ARE EXPELLED FROM U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—The dismissal of two midshipmen and the disciplining of 12 others for alleged "cribbing" at the United States naval academy was revealed today as the result of the findings of the court of inquiry which investigated irregularities in examinations and recitations at the academy. Midshipmen Ralph M. Nelson, Jr., of New York, and Charles M. Reagle, of Ohio, were dismissed. The court recommended the abolition of the practice of giving out advance information and recommends less vigorous examinations.

HOLT IS BEING HELD FOR SHERIFF
Man Who With Girl Had Vaudeville Act Awaiting Officer at San Francisco
Regarding the Holt arrest case wherein Holt is charged with jumping a board bill at Coquille and also traveling with her on a show circuit, a Portland paper tells the following in a press telegram from San Francisco:
"A telegraphic warrant was received by the police today from the sheriff of Coos county, Oregon, in the case of Houdeen, the illusionist and hypnotist, arrested with his wife on advices from the Oregon authorities when they arrived yesterday on the steamer Elizabeth from Bandon.
"Houdeen is charged in the warrant with violating an Oregon law similar to the Mann white slave act, prohibiting the transportation of a woman through the state for immoral purposes. The identity of the woman is not revealed. Houdeen, whose true name is Svenne Herr D. Holt, professed to be mystified at his arrest. There is no charge against his wife.
"Sheriff Johnson is on his way here with extradition papers.
"Houdeen is a son of Captain Holt of San Luis Obispo, a retired mariner. Mrs. Holt, who appeared with her husband in his act, was Aileen Coblin, daughter of a Utah rancher."

FIRE NEAR SITKUM BURNS TELEGRAPH
A bad forest fire was raging near Sitkum yesterday and burned out about a quarter of a mile of line for the Western Union. This was repaired but the line went down again this afternoon and for a time the line was restored at 4:15 p. m.

CHOSE PRESIDENT
ATHENS, Aug. 16.—The Greek chamber of Deputies assembled today. M. Zavitzanos, adherent of former premier Venizelos, was elected president receiving 182 votes to 93 for the candidate of the government.

GREEK CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES IN SESSION TODAY