



## PEACE NOT IN SIGHT

### Little Progress in Peace Negotiations.

## SECRETARIES GLOOMY

### Arrival of American Warships Has no Effect—American Rule Is Probable.

## PALMA MAY RESIGN TODAY

### Rumor Prevalent That Cuban Government Authorities Will Resign—Roosevelt Consulted by Taft Over the Dark Outlook.

HAVANA, Sept. 21.—Peace for Cuba, unless accomplished through American intervention, seems further away tonight than before Secretaries Taft and Bacon began negotiations. The arrival today of three battleships and two cruisers in addition to those already here, has had little effect on the insurgents in the field, who merely said, "They cannot come to the brush." The moderate party this evening decided to accept any proposition the secretaries may decide on, in hopes the liberals may yield similarly. The latter, however, have not signified their willingness to accept the decision of the mediators. A rumor is abroad tonight that President Palma, the members of the cabinet, and the representatives and senators elected last December will resign tomorrow, thus conceding practically all the insurgents have been contending for, and opening the way for settlement without intervention. The American authorities will tomorrow hear what the insurgents have to say.

If they persist in their demands, the conference will only increase complications. The mediators have sifted down the demands of the revolutionaries, and define them as a demand by the insurgents for a new general election, and the absolute rejection of these demands by the government. The secretaries have practically abandoned the hope of finding a middle ground and fear a decision in favor of either side will result in no more than temporary tranquility. It is their belief that American occupation is the only way out of civil warfare, and it is not denied intervention must be followed by American sovereignty. Secretary Taft has cabled to President Roosevelt regarding the gravity of the situation and the latter is expected to dictate a further programme.

### Twelve Warships to Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Twelve war vessels in Cuban waters or en route there, will be all the department will send for the present at least.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—General Funston will leave Washington tomorrow for Cuba in accordance with the order of Secretary Taft.

### MOROCCAN TROUBLES GROW.

MADRID, Sept. 21.—Newspapers here are of the opinion that the situation in Morocco is disquieting. El Patis foresees that foreign intervention will be necessary, the organization of an international police being insufficient to preserve order.

### BANDIT RAISULI POISONED.

PARIS, Sept. 21.—A special dispatch from Tangier says that Raisuli, the bandit chief, is seriously ill. He is believed to have been poisoned by an agent of the Maghzen or Foreign Board.

## HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

### Three Scientists Slide Down Mount Orizaba in Lively Fashion.

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—Four prominent college professors, one a member of the University of Chicago faculty, escaped from death almost by a miracle in Mexico last Wednesday afternoon, in one of the most daring and arduous expeditions ever attempted to gain the top of Mount Orizaba.

Word was received yesterday from Rollin T. Chamberlain of the University of Chicago, a member of the party, describing the attempt to reach the top of the mountain and a fall of 3,000 feet down a snow slope from the summit.

Having gained the top of the peak, the members of the party spent an hour in looking out over Mexico City and the Gulf of Mexico. Then they decided to descend, but encountered a snow slope and slid down three-fifths of a mile before they came to a stop.

Professor H. F. Reid, of Johns Hopkins, Professor A. P. Coleman, of the University of Toronto and Professor J. E. Wolff of Harvard were the three other members of the expedition. They had gone to Mexico to study geological conditions. Chamberlain is studying botanical conditions at the mouths of volcanic craters. Several important discoveries were made, the most important of which is a new measurement for the height of the volcano. A government survey made several years ago placed the height of the mountain at 18,300 feet. The party on reaching the summit found that their aneroid barometer registered 18,500 feet.

## SAGE WILL CONTEST

### Fight for Share in Millionaire's Wealth Commences.

## PROCEEDINGS ARE OPENED

### Senator Brackett Announces That He Will Begin Contest on Behalf of Sage's Grand-Nephew—Great Interest.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The announcement that Senator Brackett of Saratoga would today begin a contest of the will of Russell Sage has attracted wide attention and interest. The opinion was expressed among lawyers that the case would develop into a bitter and long drawn out legal battle.

While Senator Brackett will begin proceedings only on behalf of Edson M. Cronreed, the three-year-old grand nephew of Russell Sage, it has become known that many of the other heirs have engaged counsel to watch the proceedings. Among the lawyers so engaged are Postmaster William R. Wilcox of New York; Nelson P. Bonney, of Norwich, N. Y., and A. Welles Stump. These gentlemen and Senator Brackett held a conference yesterday. At present neither Mr. Wilcox nor Mr. Bonney mean to take any direct steps on behalf of their clients, but they intend to watch developments and be ready to intervene at any time. The putting forward of the Cronreed boy, according to lawyers, is a shrewd move. Under the terms of the will \$25,000 was left to twenty-five of the nephews and nieces of Mr. Sage, with the proviso that if anyone of them attempted to break the will he would be absolutely cut out. It was evidently held that no one of them would risk his share in the chances of the law. But Edson can only expect \$6,250. He is the only son of the late Mrs. Nathan S. Cronreed, who as one of the four children of Alfred Lockrow, a niece of Mr. Sage, would have come in for one-fourth of the money left to her. If young Cronreed fails in his suit, it will be easy for all the other branches of the Sage family to compensate him for his loss.

### As they will not appear in the contest their own legacies remain safe.

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## DISASTEROUS EXPLOSION

### Dynamite Car Explodes, Wrecking Jellico, Ky.

## TWELVE PERSONS DEAD

### Awful Explosion Injuries Scores. Property Damage is Five Hundred Thousand.

## MANY BUILDINGS DESTROYED

### Hardly Chimney in Town Is Left Standing—Noise of Explosion Heard 28 Miles—Physicians Sent from Knoxville.

JELICCO, Tenn., Sept. 21.—Twelve deaths, injury to scores of others and five hundred thousand dollars damage to property was caused here today by an explosion of a carload of 20,000 pounds of dynamite standing on a siding near the Southern Pacific Railroad station. The explosion was heard 28 miles. Buildings were wrecked in the business section of the town and nearly every pane of glass in a radius of one mile of the scene was broken. About two hundred persons were injured, counting those slightly hurt, 18 of whom were hurt seriously. Among the latter are Mayor R. D. Baird of Jellico. Two causes are assigned for the explosion. One is that three men were shooting at a mark on a car and one of the bullets entered the car. The other is that the explosive was detonated by a carload of pigiron which was switched against it, impact causing the explosion. The explosion wrecked the depot, two hotels, five large warehouses and an oil tank. In addition several residences were destroyed and nearly every chimney in town broken. Stocks of merchandise in several stores were badly damaged and many people are homeless. Rescue work began shortly after the explosion, and medical aid was asked from Knoxville, from which place a dozen physicians were sent.

## PEONAGE MEN SENTENCED.

CAMP HIRARDAU, Mo., Sept. 21.—The jury in the Smith Brothers peonage trial found the defendants guilty on the eleventh count, which refers to John Reed, a negro, who escaped from the Smiths' shack at night. Judge Pollock overruled the motion for a new trial and pronounced the following sentences: Charles M. Smith, three years and six months imprisonment in the penitentiary, and a \$5,000 fine. Charles M. Smith, Jr., two years and \$5,000; Ben Stone and Ben Fields, each one and one-half years' and \$100; W. Lee Rogers, William Woods and Floyd Woods, two years and one-half and \$100 fine.

## SEATTLE IS FLOATED.

VICTORIA, Sept. 21.—The stranded steamer City of Seattle was floated this afternoon by the wrecking steamer Salvor and the tugs Pioneer and Pilot and has arrived here. Officers report the steamer undamaged and will continue her voyage north tonight. Her passengers have reembarked on her.

## LOTS OF CRANBERRIES.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Cranberries, of which there was a short crop last year, promise to be plentiful this season. Wholesale prices are now \$5.50 to \$6.00 for 100 quarts, as against \$28 in April for the last of the 1905 crop.

## MONGOLIA FLOATED.

### Big Oriental Iner Succeeds in Pulling Herself Off Midway Reef.

HONOLULU, Sept. 21.—According to advices received here today from Midway Island, the stranded steamer Mongolia has been floated without the assistance of any other vessel. The steamer used her own powerful engines and gear in pulling herself off the reef. The Japanese training ship Aregawa left Midway last night, the Mongolia not requiring her assistance. The three forward tanks of the Mongolia are taking water and pumps have been rigged to control the leaks. The damage to the vessel is comparatively slight and she will be able to proceed under her own steam, though she may await the arrival of the cable ship Restorer.

## RESULTS OF TYPHOON.

HONG KONG, Sept. 21.—As a result of the recent typhoon the Royal Dutch Petroleum company's lighter, loaded with oil, while being pumped out into tanks was stranded, but was subsequently refloated. The company's pier was damaged to the extent of \$30,000. Manager Murray and staff were instrumental in saving the lives of 100 men and women and children who have been housed, clothed and fed on the company's premises.

Shipping has been resumed, but is hampered by the inadequate supply of steam launches and lighters. The former command \$180 and the latter \$100 for hire per week.

## CASHIER ARRESTED

### Rainier Banker Charged With Robbing Bank.

## CASHIER WAS NOT IN HIDING

### Sheriff Stevens of Multnomah County Places Van Auker Under Arrest in Lawyer's Office—Is Not Alarmed.

PORTLAND, Sept. 21.—C. S. Van Auker was arrested at 2:15 this afternoon by Robert L. Stevens, Sheriff of Multnomah County. The charge is larceny and the bail is placed at \$5,000. Arrangements for depositing the bail are now being made and at the earliest possible moment Van Auker will be returned to Rainier for examination.

So far as known, there is no evidence against Van Auker, other than circumstantial, and the alleged statement that he had promised to reimburse the Rainier bank, of which he was cashier, for the money which he said was stolen Labor day, he stamps as absolutely false.

According to Van Auker, Detective Hartman and Mr. Allen made a proposition to him, saying they would not prosecute him if he would refund the missing money. This proposition Van Auker refused, and then it became public property that it was Van Auker who made the proposal.

With a warrant out for his arrest and detectives looking for him, Van Auker peacefully slept in Portland all night, and rambled the streets in the forenoon, visiting his lawyer, ex-County Judge W. M. Calk. It was in Calk's office that Van Auker was apprehended at a late hour this afternoon, where the former cashier had gone to submit a written statement to his lawyer, before handing it to the press. His arrest put a different face on the situation and Judge Calk refused to have the statement given out.

## PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

At Seattle—Seattle, 2; San Francisco, 4.  
At Portland—Portland, 2; Fresno, 1. (twelve innings).  
At Oakland—Oakland, 3; Los Angeles, 2.

## SUFFERING IN NORTH

### Whaling Fleet in Straits; Lack of Food.

## SUPPLY SHIP RETURNS

### Steamer Harold Dollar Brings 15 Sick Men, and 31 of Alexander's Crew.

## GRAVE CHARGES PREFERRED

### Number of Captains in Whaling Fleet Accused of Stealing Native Girls For Immoral Purposes—Depositions Taken.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 21.—The steamship Harold Dollar, which carried supplies to the whaling fleet in the Arctic, arrived tonight. She has on board 31 men from the wrecked whaler Alexander, and 15 sick men from other ships. She brought \$350,000 worth of whalebone. The entire whaling fleet except the Janette expects to return this season, unless caught in the ice. The men who return tell of terrible sufferings on the different ships, one of the principal causes being the lack of food. They declare that charges have been preferred against a number of captains. The men confirm the reports of the stealing of native girls for immoral purposes, and say full depositions regarding these charges were taken before they left.

## PITIFUL TALE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Weak and emaciated from starvation, Johnny Doyle, an infant 14 months old, was found yesterday beside the corpse of his foster mother, Mrs. Catherine Byram, a widow, in the kitchen of her small apartments in Brooklyn. The baby had evidently spent hours of intense suffering, who having eaten all the food in the room that he could reach by his utmost endeavors, he had been forced by the pangs of hunger to chew the sawdust contents of a toy horse. The floor was strewn with broken dishes and with kitchen utensils and panes in the kitchen windows within striking distance of his arms were in splinters, all from his struggles for food. The little one was taken to a hospital. It is believed he can be nursed back to health.

Mrs. Bynam probably dropped dead from heart disease. She had not been seen for four days.

## ANOTHER RAILROAD DEAL.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The World today states that negotiations are in progress between E. H. Harriman, William Rockefeller and the Smith estate, by which control of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad may be turned over to the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific companies. Upon the success of their negotiations will depend the carrying out of the deal by which the Baltimore & Ohio is to become part of the Union Pacific system. The World says that this statement was made yesterday by a high Wall street authority, who predicted that within 60 days the terms of the deal would be made known.

## LOCATE SMOKER.

KING FISHER, Sept. 21.—The missing smoker has been located 600 yards from the bridge filled with sand. It is believed three bodies are in it. An effort will be made to morrow to raise it.

## ASSUME PROFESSORSHIP.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—A cable dispatch from Liverpool brings word that the Rev. Hugh Black, M. A., of Edinburgh, Scotland, is on his way here by the steamship Majestic.

Mr. Black comes to New York to assume his duties as first incumbent of the new professorship of practical theology in the Union Theological seminary of this city. This chair was endowed by Morris K. Jessup, president of the New York Chamber of Commerce of Commerce.

The chair which Professor Black will hold is unique in American theological education. According to Mr. Jessup's deed of gift, Mr. Black will devote one-half of each year to instruction. The other half of each year will be devoted in two orders of Mr. Jessup to "Preaching and giving addresses wherever he may be invited, entering into pulpits, colleges and universities, and inspiring the finest in them with a zeal for the ministry."

Professor Black is already known to the American public as an author and preacher.

## MAKES FINAL REPORT.

BOISE, Sept. 21.—The United States grand jury made a final report today. Five additional indictments were returned. One of these was against T. B. Snyder, U. S. commissioner at Meadows, but it is not known who the others are. This makes eight indictments returned. Two are against Snyder and two against George Low, both of whom are charged with subornation of perjury and conspiracy to defraud the government.

## ORDERED TO OREGON

### Holy Roller Women Ordered Deported From Washington.

## PROSECUTION WILL CONTEST

### State's Attorney Denounces the Verdict of Insanity Commission and Says He Will Ask for Restraining Order.

SEATTLE, Sept. 21.—In conformance with the report of the Mitchell-Creffield insanity commission, Judge Frater this morning issued an order directing the sheriff to deport the women to Oregon, their home state, under a law passed at the last legislature for the disposal of alien insane. The prosecuting attorney denounced the insanity commission and demanded that the women be tried. Judge Frater, however, struck their cases from the docket. The prosecuting attorney says he will ask the supreme court for a writ of prohibition, preventing the deportation of the women.

Judge Frater said he would allow the prosecution sufficient time to secure a writ from the supreme court, which had been declared would be asked for. The judge said, however, that unless restrained by the supreme court he intends to have the women deported.

## ELIMINATION TRIALS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The elimination trials for the purpose of picking a team to represent this country in the international automobile race for the Vanderbilt cup on Oct. 8 will be held tomorrow on a 9.11 course in Nassau county, Long Island. Interest in the trials this year approaches that in the race itself and plans are being made to handle an enormous crowd. Persons having houses along the route are getting fabulous prices for their rooms and parking space and at a premium.

It is estimated that 50,000 persons will view the trials. The race will start at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning, and the cars will leave at one minute intervals, the last car leaving the grandstand at 6:14.