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ALL MEXICAN TROOPS RUSHED TO CAPITAL ABANDON THE NORTH

Huerta Orders Federals to Hurry to Defense of Mexico City; Rebels Close to Capital

(United Press Leased Wire.) Mexico City, July 22.—Probability of a decisive battle in Mexico City, which may rival the seven-day battle between the forces of the late President Diaz, and General Felix Diaz, was the startling news revealed today by the receipt of telegraphic communication with Laredo.

The most alarming word was the close proximity of rebel troops to the capital and it caused great activity at the palace. A strong force of constitutionalists, the first dispatches said, now are menacing the state of Hidalgo, which adjoins the state of Mexico. Ten minutes later Provisional President Huerta issued an order to all federal troops to withdraw from northern Mexico and rush to the defense of the capital.

Despite the seriousness of his position, every recent development indicates that Huerta intends to seek reelection as president at the polls in October, and is busy sending all rivals into exile. It was announced here this afternoon that after General Felix Diaz completes his mission to Japan he is going to Europe to study military conditions. On the heels of this announcement came the declaration that Francisco De la Barra soon is to depart for Italy to represent Mexico in "certain land disputes."

Japan is not taking any too kindly to Huerta's friendly attitude. Although the Japanese charge d'affaires here thanked

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TWO YOUNG MATRONS FROM OHIO KILLED BY LIGHTNING IN OREGON

Mrs. G. H. Eddy and Mrs. A. Kausek Struck by Bolt That Follows Clothesline.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Grants Pass, Or., July 22.—During an electric storm that swept northern Josephine county Monday afternoon, Mrs. G. H. Eddy and Mrs. August Kausek, of Leland, were struck by a bolt of lightning and killed.

The women were removing clothes from a clothesline attached to trees in the yard when the bolt struck one of the trees following along the line at which the women were working. Mrs. Kausek was killed instantly and Mrs. Eddy died in 15 minutes after being struck. Persons in the house a few feet from the tree that was struck were more or less shocked but none was seriously injured.

The bodies of the two women will be taken to Grants Pass this afternoon and sent to Ohio for burial. The women were each about 20 years of age.

MEDICAL LAKE ASYLUM HEAD CLEARED IN COURT

(Special to The Journal.) Olympia, Wash., July 22.—Superintendent J. M. Semple is a capable and efficient superintendent of the eastern hospital for the insane at Medical Lake and that the charges made against him emanated chiefly from discharged employees.

Such were the findings made today by the state board of control, which spent days hearing testimony on charges of mismanagement and of brutal acts permitted by him toward patients.

Mount Hood Illumination Is Dimmed by Mist

Very Few Keen Eyes Catch Glimpse of Flare

And now cometh deponent, who, after being first duly sworn, declares he saw the illumination that beamed from the summit of Mount Hood last night. Others scouted the possibility that the red flame was visible through the haze, but, fortified with nothing more potent than an ice cream cone, at least one group of Portlanders contends that the Y. M. C. A. party's signal was clearly seen.

Promptly at 10:08 p. m., or eight minutes after the scheduled touching off of the 50 pounds of red fire carried to the peak by the 20 hikers who planned to spend the night on the summit, faint rays were seen. The watchers were stationed near Mount Hood depot north of Mount Tabor. Two fires were visible, one slightly lower than the other. Starting faintly, the fire brightened until it looked like a flickering star, then died away, flaring up once and then winking out into blackness.

This was in spite of the mists which effectively shrouded the contour of the mountain. Several parties were watching the signal from the same vantage point, and from each rose little shouts when the light was seen.

Persons in many other parts of the city looked for the signal, but declared nothing was visible. One individual thought he saw the light, but afterward

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75,000,000 BUSHEL WHEAT CROP IN THE PACIFIC N.-W. THIS YEAR DESPITE SMALLER ACREAGE AND POOR SPRING

Heavy Land Sections, Though Still Above Average, Fall Below Last Year but Light Land Districts Make Surprising Showing; Palouse Country Will Market the Biggest Yield in Its History Thereby Gaining Banner for Season.

By Hyman H. Cohen.

The Pacific northwest will this season harvest 75,000,000 bushels of wheat. This is the second largest crop ever produced in the states of Oregon, Idaho and Washington. So far as the latter two states are concerned, the 1913 production of grain is the greatest ever ready for gathering.

Record yields of wheat are shown in the light land sections of the inland empire this season. Only unfortunate weather at the start of the season kept the three states from breaking every previous record in wheat production. As matters stand, the crop is most satisfactory when the output of the three northwest states is merged.

There never was a season such as the one now closing. There was little evidence at the start of the year that such an enormous production of wheat would be shown. In fact the indications at the start were generally of poor character.

One remarkable feature of the present grain crop season is that the light lands will, as a rule, produce even bigger crops than the so-called "better sections." This is due to the fact that during the spring months a very unusual amount of moisture was received

NORTHWEST GRAIN CROP ESTIMATE

	Wheat		Barley		Oats	
	1912	1913	1912	1913	1912	1913
Oregon	19,150,000	23,211,000	4,000,000	4,500,000	12,500,000	13,000,000
Washington	43,800,000	41,150,000	8,750,000	7,800,000	11,000,000	10,000,000
Idaho	12,500,000	12,150,000	3,000,000	2,500,000	8,000,000	7,000,000
Grand total	75,500,000	78,511,000	15,750,000	14,800,000	31,500,000	30,000,000

CANNOT TAX GROSS CORPORATE EARNINGS, IS DECISION OF COURT

City's Right to License Exists Only When No Other Method of Taxation Exists.

The charter of Portland which was superseded by the present commission charter did not give the city authority to levy a 2 per cent tax on the gross receipts of companies engaged in furnishing light, power and heat, according to a decision of Circuit Judge Gates this morning. Judge Gates on the ground the municipality sustained a demurrer to the suit of the city to collect

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FACTORY CONTAINING 134 PERSONS BURNS UP WITHIN HALF HOUR; ONLY FEW ESCAPE ALIVE, UNHURT

Overall Factory in Binghamton, N. Y. Catches Fire at 2 O'clock and in Thirty Minutes Five-Story Building Is in Ashes, With Many of Its Occupants Buried Beneath the Ruins.

OFFICIALS SAY AT LEAST 117 LIVES LOST

Two Recent False Alarms Had Deadened Employees to Sense of Danger; Fire Spread so Quickly Occupants Cannot Escape.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Binghamton, N. Y., July 22.—Most of the 134 employees who were in the five-story factory of the Freeman Overall company when fire was discovered this afternoon at 2 o'clock are believed to have perished.

In half an hour the building was completely consumed, and at 4 o'clock this afternoon 117 women and girls who were in the factory are believed to be dead. Apparently but five of the women employees escaped death or injury in the holocaust.

At 4 o'clock 15 bodies had been recovered. The heat was intense and it was impossible to explore the ruins. The heat from the fire was so intense that spectators were unable to stand within a block of the building.

Company books are looked up in the safes and are now buried beneath the debris from Binghamton, N. Y.

Twelve girls, badly injured by jumping from the burning structure, have been rushed to hospitals. Firemen and police vainly tried to prevent the girls from jumping as they appeared at the windows. One girl sustained a broken back.

One hundred and thirty-four persons were in the building when the fire started.

Started in Overall Factory. The fire started in Freeman's overall factory and rapidly spread to the McKellar Drug company's store. It started at 2 o'clock.

Every ambulance and policeman in the city was rushed immediately to the scene. The fire spread so rapidly that the occupants of the overall factory had no chance to escape.

Many of the girl workers jumped from the windows and were badly injured. Others were crushed in the stampede to escape. Those supposed to have met death in the flames are believed to have lain unconscious after being trampled by the frenzied workers. The surviving employees are too excited accurately to estimate the number escaping.

President Freeman said the building ordinarily could be cleared in a minute and a half, but that two false alarms had been turned in recently, and the fears of the employees did not respond quickly.

The factory was in ruins within 30 minutes after the fire started.

The building was five stories high. Several smaller buildings nearby also were destroyed.

The firemen and police agree that it is impossible at this hour to estimate accurately the number of dead. The bodies of the victims are buried beneath tons of debris.

BANKERS' HANDS TOUCHED BUTTON TO MOVE WILSON

Mexican Syndicate Headed by Lord Cowdray and Senator Limantour Influenced Europe to Prod Washington.

By Edward I. Bell.

Washington, July 22.—Lord Cowdray of England and Jose Limantour of Paris and Mexico, aided by a syndicate of European and American bankers, it is just learned here, were behind the demands of Great Britain, Germany and Japan which have started President Wilson into summoning Ambassador Wilson from Mexico.

Diplomatists here and bankers of New York now recognize Cowdray-Limantour domination in Mexico and understand clearly that Europe's demand to know the intent of the United States toward its southern neighbor is an open challenge summed up in diplomatic circles by the terse inquiry: Has Uncle Sam resigned?

Overflow of European disgust at the inactivity of this government in the face of incessant call for action, turns out to be, in reality, a pre-ordained step, decided by the big financial clique which recently undertook to finance Mexico in defiance of Washington's refusal to recognize that country's shadow government. The syndicate was organized by Lord Cowdray and Senator Limantour, and the diplomatic representations made to the Washington government are the first sharp turn of the prod which this syndicate is prepared to twist until adjustment of Mexico's difficulties is brought about.

The syndicate is conceded to be the most powerful banking concert in the world. Its New York end consists of J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the National City bank, First National bank, and the Guarantee Trust company. European participation in the syndicate

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33 NEGRO CONVICTS IN A WOODEN CAGE NEAR JACKSON ARE BURNED

(United Press Leased Wire.) Jackson, Miss., July 22.—Thirty-three negro convicts, who were sleeping on the second floor of a wooden cage in the convict farm 20 miles southwest of here, were cremated at midnight, their bodies being burned beyond recognition.

The fire started in a first floor landing of a stairway, and the structure, which was old and flimsy, burned like tinder, while the screams of the imprisoned men could be heard for miles.

Two watchmen did not see the fire until it burst from the windows of the lower floor of the cage, which was filled with hay and other supplies. As there was no means of fighting the fire at hand, all the guards could do was to stand and watch their charges die.

COST OF LITIGATION IN FEDERAL COURTS HERE JUST DOUBLE WHAT IT IS IN THE MIDDLE WEST

District Attorney, Marshal and Clerk Draw Twice as Much Salary Under Ancient Law Which Bar Association May Seek to Have Repealed.

Do you know that when you start a civil suit in the circuit or district courts of the United States for the districts of Oregon, Nevada or California it costs you exactly twice as much as if you resided in Kansas or Indiana or Michigan? And do you know that the clerk of the court, the United States attorney and the United States marshal draw exactly twice as much salary as similar officers do in almost any other state in the union?

Members of the local bar association have been dissatisfied with this state of affairs for years, realizing that it entails a great burden upon their clients. But to change the system means a special act of congress, an amendment to the law which allows this double fee for the states of Oregon, Nevada and California.

The Multnomah bar association now has a committee working on the federal court fee proposition, with a view to making a report to the state bar association. This committee is composed of Joseph N. Teal, Thomas G. Greeno and H. S. Huntington. In investigating the costs, it was found that considerable confusion existed, amendments to certain passages of the original fee bills, making it uncertain just what the fees actually are.

Mr. Huntington this morning explained that the local bar has long been considering the matter and without doubt some recommendation to the state association would be made. No meeting of the committee has been held, the three members working on different lines. A meeting will be held, however, sometime in advance of the state bar meeting in September.

Salaries of Federal Officials. Clerks of the federal courts of Oregon, Nevada and California are allowed a maximum salary of \$7000 per year. In all other districts, the salary is but \$3500. The marshals of the three districts are allowed \$6000 per year, with \$3000 the limit elsewhere. If the business of the office falls below

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PORTLAND HAS 246,650 SAY CENSUS GUESSERS

Washington, July 22.—Portland's population, according to the census bureau, on July 1, 1913, was 246,650. On April 1, 1910, it was 207,314. Seattle's present population is estimated at 293,228. San Francisco's 410,985. Los Angeles 412,466. The system by which the census bureau arrives at these figures is to compute the increase at same rate indicated by official returns for decades between 1900 and 1910 and add in the population of territory taken into city limits since 1910. These figures have no official force, as the census people have had no data since 1910 on which to base estimates of present population.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURE EXCEEDS YESTERDAY'S; REACHES 85 AT 1 P. M.

Hourly Temperatures.

5 a. m.	66
6 a. m.	66
7 a. m.	67
8 a. m.	69
9 a. m.	74
10 a. m.	77
11 a. m.	82
12 m.	84
1 p. m.	85

Showers failed to materialize today and while it was cloudy and 6 degrees cooler at 6 o'clock this morning the mercury exceeded yesterday's mark at 10 o'clock this forenoon, when it was 77 degrees, and by 11 o'clock it was 82 degrees higher than yesterday at the corresponding hour. At noon today it was 85 degrees higher and at 1 o'clock it stood at 85 degrees, or 3 degrees higher than yesterday's mark.

The forecast made by the weather man is for fair weather tonight and Wednesday with northwesterly winds.

MRS. PANKHURST WILL NOT WALK OR EAT NOW

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, July 22.—A new form of protest against imprisonment was today added to her already long list by Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader. In addition to a hunger strike which she already has inaugurated, Mrs. Pankhurst refuses to walk.

The six women taken into custody yesterday with Mrs. Pankhurst were convicted today of disturbing the peace. Imprisonment of from two to three weeks was imposed in each case.