

DATE POWERS OF ADMINISTRATION ARE UP IN COURT

Right of Postmaster General to Interfere With Intrastate Rail and Wire Rates.

CLAIM AUTHORITY EXCEEDED

Various State Utilities and Public Service Commissions Interested in Hearings Being Held.

Washington, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—The right of the railroad and wire administrations to establish intrastate rates was put to a crucial test in the supreme court of the United States today when arguments were heard in a series of suits instituted by various state utilities and public service commissions.

The chief attack on the railroad administration's rate fixing power emanated from North Dakota, where the state supreme court has already held that the director general of railroads has the right to establish only interstate rates.

The wire suits, on the outcome of which may hinge Postmaster General Burleson's right to increase intrastate telephone rates, were instituted by the states of Massachusetts, South Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kansas and Louisiana.

Both the railroad and wire cases were based upon similar grounds, the principal contention being that the federal government had overstepped, or exceeded, the powers invested in it by congress in attempting to fix or interfere with state rates.

The argument was advanced that the power being exercised by the government and wire administrations should be curtailed, or a limit placed upon it by the supreme court. It was also contended by counsel for the various states that congress does not possess the power to interfere with purely state prerogatives; that the fixing of intrastate rates is a state "police" power, and that the right of the government to fix rates should cover only interstate schedules.

On the other hand, argument was advanced in behalf of the government that the war powers vested in congress by the federal government were sufficiently extensive to embrace every phase of rate fixing; that rate fixing is not a "police" power, and, even if it were, there would be no illegality on the part of the government in determining just what railroad or telephone rates should prevail in any particular state, nor would there be any conflict or interference with state rights.

Additional arguments advanced in behalf of the postmaster general also set up the contention that the suits were instituted against the United States government.

ORLANDO IS ON WAY TO PARIS

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announced today. The meeting is expected to be brief.

The latest authoritative information indicates the treaty will be presented to the Germans on Thursday.

Credentials of the German peace delegates have been accepted.

The German envoys are empowered to represent the entire country, including Alsace, by a law enacted at Weimar transferring all of the former Kaiser's treaty making rights to the government.

The Germans have also accepted the allies' credentials, including those of the Jugo-Slavs.

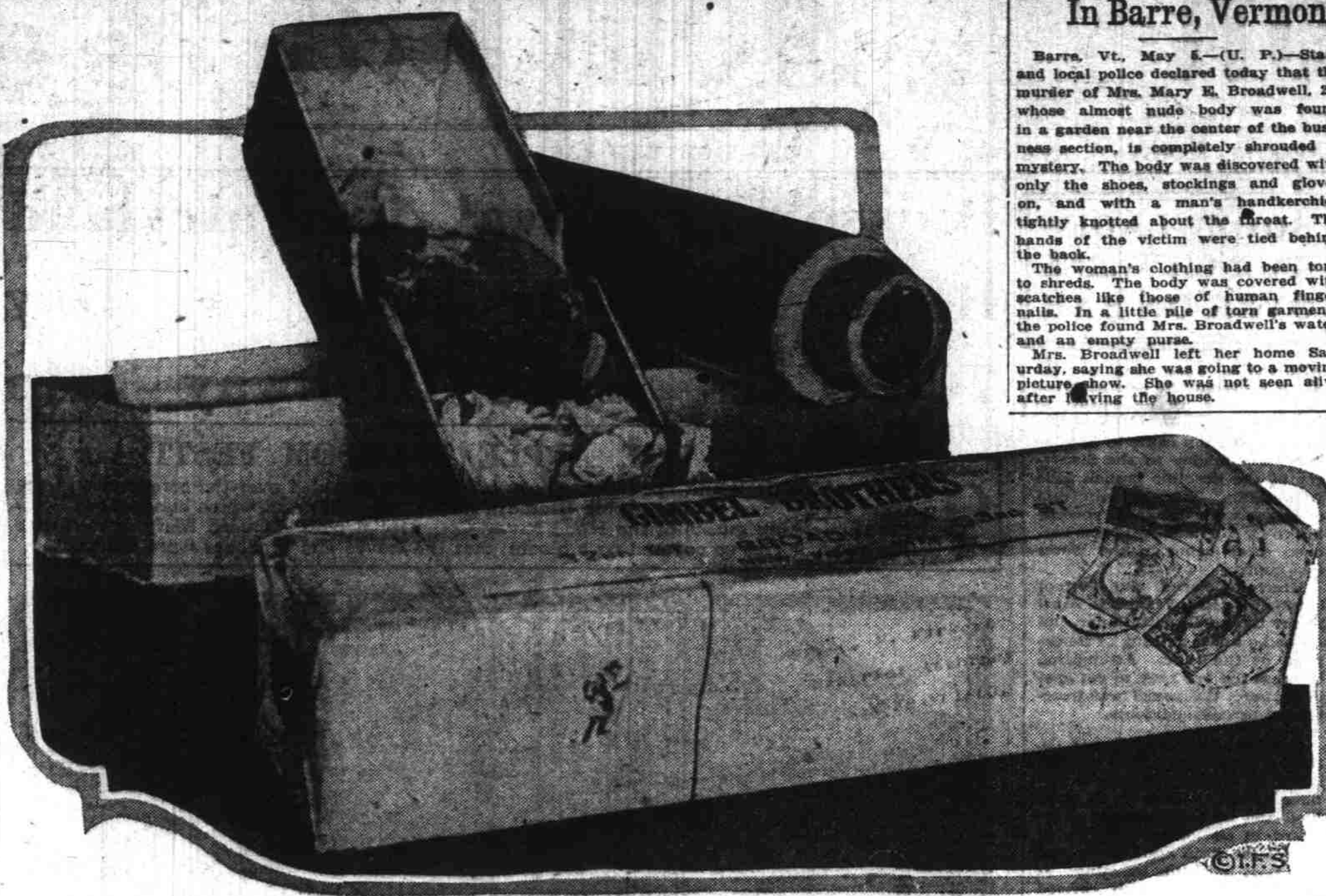
The treaty is understood to be completed and in the hands of the printer.

AUSTRIANS EXPECTED

Some French papers contended it will not be submitted before Friday or Saturday. The 15-day limit for acceptance of the terms would require the Germans to sign the treaty not later than May 21.

Immediately after the presentation of the German treaty, the "big three" will begin assembling the articles of the Austrian pact, according to authoritative information. While no official announcement has been made to that effect, it is generally understood a formal invitation has been dispatched to the Austrian government to send its delegates to the peace conference.

ONE OF THE DEADLY BOMBS SENT THROUGH MAILS



First photograph of the package containing the death bomb sent C. M. Fickett, district attorney of San Francisco. It shows plainly the marking "Gimbel Brothers" on the wrapper.

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IMPROVEMENT IN TRAIN SERVICE ON SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINE PLANNED

Through Trains May Be Instituted From Sound Points to San Francisco.

Improvement in train service on lines of the Southern Pacific, including installation of through cars from Sound points to San Francisco and possible return of the Shasta Limited, is promised by officials of the company and of the United States railroad administration who are visiting Portland today.

The party consists of Julius Kruttschnitt of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the Southern Pacific company; Paul Shoup, vice-president in charge of the affairs of the company on the Pacific coast; William Sprule, district director of the Central Western region, United States railroad administration; William Hood, chief engineer of the Southern Pacific, and W. R. Scott, federal manager of Southern Pacific lines south of Ashland.

This is Mr. Kruttschnitt's first visit to the Pacific coast since the declaration of war on Germany. He was a member of the board of directors of the railroad when it was organized in Washington, D. C., during the war until the passing of the control of the roads to the railroad administration and since that time has been engaged in other lines of war activity. The present visit is purely one of inspection, Mr. Kruttschnitt said this morning.

No extension of Southern Pacific lines is contemplated, he said, nor would any be planned until it is definitely decided whether the roads are to remain in control of the federal government or return to their corporate owners. Minor repairs and improvements of roadbed and equipment are planned, however, and increased efficiency in train service is promised.

Mr. Kruttschnitt and his party are traveling in a special train of four private cars and a buffet coach. They arrived at Union station at 7:15 p. m. Sunday from the Coos Bay district. J. P. O'Brien, federal manager of Southern Pacific lines north of Ashland, met the train at Ashland, Newberg and Portland.

Accompanied by Mr. O'Brien and other local railroad officials the visitors inspected local terminal facilities this morning and made a trip over the Columbia River highway. They left at 1 p. m. for Corvallis, Newberg and will return to San Francisco tonight.

According to Federal Manager W. R. Scott, through car service between San Francisco and Sound points will begin at an early date. Better diner service is also promised, he said, but the proposal to put back the Shasta Limited from San Francisco must await further traffic developments. The cost of operation of the train under present conditions would be approximately \$650,000 per year, according to Mr. Scott, and it would not pay expenses.

issued by the Jugo-Slav government prohibiting them from having commercial dealings with the Italians. As a result of these transactions the price of Italian lire has risen.

The moderation of the Croatian press and the calmness of the people leads to a belief that the reunion of Fiume with Italy would not provoke serious trouble from Jugo-Slavs, the correspondent of the Secolo concluded.

Proceeding Cautiously

Rome, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—The newspaper Epoch reports that at a three hour conference between Premier Orlando, Foreign Secretary Sonnino and King Victor Emmanuel, it was decided that it would be premature to demand annexation of Fiume or other territory until the allies signed a separate peace or refused Italy's stipulated guarantees, thereby forcing Italy to safeguard her rights.

Ten Flying Fields Will Be Abandoned

Washington, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—Ten flying fields will be abandoned as soon as possible, unless there are other government departments that wish to utilize any of them, the war department announced this afternoon. The fields are: Barron, Carruthers and Taliaferro, at Fort Worth, Texas; Call, Wichita Falls, Texas; Ebert, Loneock, Ark.; Love, Dallas, Texas; Payne, West Point, Miss.; Waco, Texas; Taylor, Montgomery, La.; and Gerstner, Lake Charles, La.

BLOSSOM FESTIVAL IN HOOD RIVER FAIRYLAND

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sive load of pure white blossoms that hid even the leaves of the tree, the fairy queen of the apple festival was crowned. "Queen Marjorie," as daintily in her white frock as the blossoms themselves, stood proudly upon her throne amid a crown of flowers from C. W. McCullagh of Hood River, master of ceremonies for the day. Queen Marjorie was the little daughter of Marshall N. Denn, president of the Ad club, and her court included several of the happy little people who had the day of their lives Sunday.

The pretty little queen bowed in royal style before her admirers as the first of a long reel of moving pictures of the features of the day were filmed by J. Randolph of the International News weekly.

Following the ceremonies came a motor trip over the west side Hood River valley roads, through long lanes of apple blossoms and reaching Hood river, with the mountain straddling seemingly just at the side of the orchards, into the highways leading back to the city of Hood River on the east side of the river. The orchards even more beautiful, if possible, than had been seen before.

It was estimated by a group of Hood River Ad club members, driving the information station at Ruthin hill, near the end of the Columbia River highway, that more than 700 automobiles drove into Hood River Sunday for the annual festival. Many of these machines followed the leader on the tour through the valley, while many branched off to see other points of interest.

Arnold Cohen, driving the Glimmobile pilot car, with Chairman Todd Hazen, led the Ad club party out of Portland at 7:30 Sunday morning. Returning, most of the cars left in time to reach Croton Point by sunset, their passengers not too tired at the end of a pleasant day to add to their delightful sights that of the Columbia from Crown Point.

The happy tone the day took on at Hood River was only added to, for Hood River people by their knowledge that the great garden of flowers they were displaying to their guests symbolizes what is expected to be the greatest of all Hood River apple crops. And even the apple houses of the valley were open to inspection and for the distribution of sample fruits. A. I. Mason, owner of one of the pretty valley orchards, opened his large storehouse to apple hungry visitors.

The official Hood River Commercial club committee that staged the apple blossom festival, including C. W. McCullagh, chairman, Truman Butler, E. E. Brett, J. H. Fredrick, E. O. Blanchard, J. E. Law and C. F. Gilbert. The Portland Ad club committee included Todd Hazen, chairman, H. H. Hayes and C. W. English.

The Hood River committee presided at the picnic lunch that started the festival and from great boilers served steaming coffee to the hundreds who gather at the Chaunassus grounds to make merry. A more delightful day could not have been selected for a blossom festival than was Sunday and upon no day could the blossoms have been more plentiful nor beautiful, visitors agreed, and as a result of the success of the festival it will become an annual event under the direction of the Hood River Commercial club.

Dry slabwood and inside wood, green stumps for sale. Holman Fuel Co., Main 231; 232; 233; 234; 235; 236; 237; 238; 239; 240; 241; 242; 243; 244; 245; 246; 247; 248; 249; 250; 251; 252; 253; 254; 255; 256; 257; 258; 259; 260; 261; 262; 263; 264; 265; 266; 267; 268; 269; 270; 271; 272; 273; 274; 275; 276; 277; 278; 279; 280; 281; 282; 283; 284; 285; 286; 287; 288; 289; 290; 291; 292; 293; 294; 295; 296; 297; 298; 299; 300; 301; 302; 303; 304; 305; 306; 307; 308; 309; 310; 311; 312; 313; 314; 315; 316; 317; 318; 319; 320; 321; 322; 323; 324; 325; 326; 327; 328; 329; 330; 331; 332; 333; 334; 335; 336; 337; 338; 339; 340; 341; 342; 343; 344; 345; 346; 347; 348; 349; 350; 351; 352; 353; 354; 355; 356; 357; 358; 359; 360; 361; 362; 363; 364; 365; 366; 367; 368; 369; 370; 371; 372; 373; 374; 375; 376; 377; 378; 379; 380; 381; 382; 383; 384; 385; 386; 387; 388; 389; 390; 391; 392; 393; 394; 395; 396; 397; 398; 399; 400; 401; 402; 403; 404; 405; 406; 407; 408; 409; 410; 411; 412; 413; 414; 415; 416; 417; 418; 419; 420; 421; 422; 423; 424; 425; 426; 427; 428; 429; 430; 431; 432; 433; 434; 435; 436; 437; 438; 439; 440; 441; 442; 443; 444; 445; 446; 447; 448; 449; 450; 451; 452; 453; 454; 455; 456; 457; 458; 459; 460; 461; 462; 463; 464; 465; 466; 467; 468; 469; 470; 471; 472; 473; 474; 475; 476; 477; 478; 479; 480; 481; 482; 483; 484; 485; 486; 487; 488; 489; 490; 491; 492; 493; 494; 495; 496; 497; 498; 499; 500; 501; 502; 503; 504; 505; 506; 507; 508; 509; 510; 511; 512; 513; 514; 515; 516; 517; 518; 519; 520; 521; 522; 523; 524; 525; 526; 527; 528; 529; 530; 531; 532; 533; 534; 535; 536; 537; 538; 539; 540; 541; 542; 543; 544; 545; 546; 547; 548; 549; 550; 551; 552; 553; 554; 555; 556; 557; 558; 559; 560; 561; 562; 563; 564; 565; 566; 567; 568; 569; 570; 571; 572; 573; 574; 575; 576; 577; 578; 579; 580; 581; 582; 583; 584; 585; 586; 587; 588; 589; 590; 591; 592; 593; 594; 595; 596; 597; 598; 599; 600; 601; 602; 603; 604; 605; 606; 607; 608; 609; 610; 611; 612; 613; 614; 615; 616; 617; 618; 619; 620; 621; 622; 623; 624; 625; 626; 627; 628; 629; 630; 631; 632; 633; 634; 635; 636; 637; 638; 639; 640; 641; 642; 643; 644; 645; 646; 647; 648; 649; 650; 651; 652; 653; 654; 655; 656; 657; 658; 659; 660; 661; 662; 663; 664; 665; 666; 667; 668; 669; 670; 671; 672; 673; 674; 675; 676; 677; 678; 679; 680; 681; 682; 683; 684; 685; 686; 687; 688; 689; 690; 691; 692; 693; 694; 695; 696; 697; 698; 699; 700; 701; 702; 703; 704; 705; 706; 707; 708; 709; 710; 711; 712; 713; 714; 715; 716; 717; 718; 719; 720; 721; 722; 723; 724; 725; 726; 727; 728; 729; 730; 731; 732; 733; 734; 735; 736; 737; 738; 739; 740; 741; 742; 743; 744; 745; 746; 747; 748; 749; 750; 751; 752; 753; 754; 755; 756; 757; 758; 759; 760; 761; 762; 763; 764; 765; 766; 767; 768; 769; 770; 771; 772; 773; 774; 775; 776; 777; 778; 779; 780; 781; 782; 783; 784; 785; 786; 787; 788; 789; 790; 791; 792; 793; 794; 795; 796; 797; 798; 799; 800; 801; 802; 803; 804; 805; 806; 807; 808; 809; 810; 811; 812; 813; 814; 815; 816; 817; 818; 819; 820; 821; 822; 823; 824; 825; 826; 827; 828; 829; 830; 831; 832; 833; 834; 835; 836; 837; 838; 839; 840; 841; 842; 843; 844; 845; 846; 847; 848; 849; 850; 851; 852; 853; 854; 855; 856; 857; 858; 859; 860; 861; 862; 863; 864; 865; 866; 867; 868; 869; 870; 871; 872; 873; 874; 875; 876; 877; 878; 879; 880; 881; 882; 883; 884; 885; 886; 887; 888; 889; 890; 891; 892; 893; 894; 895; 896; 897; 898; 899; 900; 901; 902; 903; 904; 905; 906; 907; 908; 909; 910; 911; 912; 913; 914; 915; 916; 917; 918; 919; 920; 921; 922; 923; 924; 925; 926; 927; 928; 929; 930; 931; 932; 933; 934; 935; 936; 937; 938; 939; 940; 941; 942; 943; 944; 945; 946; 947; 948; 949; 950; 951; 952; 953; 954; 955; 956; 957; 958; 959; 960; 961; 962; 963; 964; 965; 966; 967; 968; 969; 970; 971; 972; 973; 974; 975; 976; 977; 978; 979; 980; 981; 982; 983; 984; 985; 986; 987; 988; 989; 990; 991; 992; 993; 994; 995; 996; 997; 998; 999; 1000.

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PACKAGES BELIEVED TO CONTAIN BOMBS

Mississippi Governor, Jackson Mayor and Editor Receive "Infernal Machines."

Jackson, Miss., May 5.—(I. N. S.)—Three packages believed to contain infernal machines were received here today at the offices of Governor Theodore G. Bilbo, Mayor Walter A. Scott and Frederick Sullens, editor of the Daily News. They were carefully sealed, marked "first class" and bore labels, "Glass-Handle With Care."

Inside the wrappers was stamped "Gimbel Brothers, New York City." All three packages are in the hands of the postoffice officials for examination. Wires have been sent to Washington for instructions as to how they should be opened. An inquiry is under way to ascertain if any more of the packages were received today.

Postmaster Barr stated after examining the packages that they were in wooden boxes inside a pasteboard cover. All three packages had glass phials of a powerful explosive in them, arranged to go off when the cover was removed. The packages were received at the Jackson postoffice yesterday afternoon and came in a second class pouch with newspapers directed to the first class labels and postage. This fact led the postal authorities to believe the package had been smuggled into the sacks. The stamps were cancelled with a carbon pencil indicating they had not been handled by postoffice employees who use a machine with indelible ink.

For traveling about 60 miles an hour on East Glisan street, a Ford, with out headlight, Ittner Gillespie was fined \$40 and sentenced to serve three days in jail at a hearing before Municipal Judge Roseman this morning. Gillespie was arrested by Officer Horack after a merry chase from Thirtieth to Seventy-ninth street.

Other speeders who brought down fines upon themselves are D. it. Speaker, \$20; C. Wagner, \$15; F. S. Williams, \$15; A. B. Keller, \$5; E. Bruger, \$17.50; H. Sarkkela, \$10; Edward Wrightman, \$7.50; A. Pichette, \$10; Joseph Allory, \$20; H. Wells, \$10; E. Foback, \$15; J. C. Howell, \$15; D. E. Swedling, \$10; J. E. Peterson, \$25 and A. Gartner, \$17.50.

Glaring headlights brought sorrow to a few. F. M. Mize was fined \$5, O. A. Bender \$20 and J. H. Forrythe, \$20. V. M. Elliott failed to appear and a bench warrant was issued for his rearrest.

Claude Harris Is Injured at Work

Claude Harris, 707 West Lombard street, suffered a compound fracture of the right arm this morning when his hand was caught in a machine at the St. Johns ice plant. Harris, who is the manager of the plant, was taken to Emanuel hospital.

U. S. Joins Mexico in Big Celebration

Eagle Pass, Texas, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—The United States joined with Mexico today in the observance of Cinco De Mayo, the Mexican national holiday, when Colonel G. G. Winters, commander of the Eagle Pass military district, with his staff and the Third infantry band, crossed the border as guests of General Fernando Fierstein, the Mexican military commander. American and Mexican flags featured the decorations.

President-Elect of Brazil to Visit U. S.

Paris, May 5.—(U. P.)—Eptitola Pessoa, president-elect of Brazil, will leave for home immediately after the peace treaty is signed, stopping in the United States en route, he said here today. While in the United States he will study cotton ginning and raising and irrigation to obtain new ideas to be put into effect in Brazil.

Robbed in San Francisco Saloon

San Francisco, May 5.—(U. P.)—After months of labor in Seattle shipyards, Armando Anderson came here with \$1400, preparatory to sending to Sweden for his family. He displayed his roll in a saloon Sunday night, told his intentions and bought the drinks. Today he awakened from the effects of "knock out drops"—minus his \$1400.

Supreme Court Announces Recess

Washington, May 5.—(U. P.)—The United States supreme court today announced a recess of the court upon the conclusion of the railroad and telephone case arguments, until May 19, and that no writs or motions would be received after June 2.

Spanish Editors Must Serve

Washington, May 5.—(U. P.)—The supreme court today decided to review the case of Enrique Flores Magon and Ricardo Flores Magon, convicted under the postal laws for articles published in the newspaper, Regeneracion, of Los Angeles, both are serving sentences at McNeil's Island.

This, Mr. Wilson is said to have told Wilson, the president added, however, that he saw no reason why the Irish delegates chosen by the Irish people should not be granted admittance to the peace conference.

Bandit Who Slew Saloonkeeper Is Believed Captured

San Francisco, May 5.—(U. P.)—Suspected of being the armed bandit who killed Emil Boehm for interfering during a holdup, wounding Special Officer Le Baron when he tried to arrest him and escaped through a cordon of 30 police, sweeping his refuge with a pistol barrage, Karl Liebenance is held at the emergency hospital today.

Liebenance, with a bullet wound in his chest, was found bleeding in his room at a hotel. Police believe he is the man they had cornered in a vacant lot until he scaled a brick wall and escaped through a rain of bullets.

"I don't want to die. And, doctor, I will give you \$1000 in cold cash if you save my life." With these words on his lips, Emil Boehm, saloonkeeper, died at the emergency hospital after he had been shot four times by the bandit.

Bandits Take \$3000 From Chicago Bank

Chicago, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—Four men dressed in United States army uniforms and carrying pistols of an army pattern, held up the Austin Savings bank shortly after it opened for business today and escaped with \$3000. The men fled in an automobile and a squad of armed detectives is searching for them.

Bomb Wrecks Front Of Apartment House

East Orange, N. J., May 5.—(I. N. S.)—A bomb explosion early today wrecked the front of a four story double apartment building here, blowing out the front doors and shattering many windows. The bomb was placed near the apartment of Samuel H. Lieber, a lawyer, who owns the building. There are seven other families in the building, but no one was injured.

Consul Tredwell Reaches Stockholm

Washington, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—Official confirmation of the release