

CONSTITUTION OF MEXICO WHAT IT U. S. RECOGNIZES

By David Lawrence
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Washington, June 18.—The Mexican situation has taken on a new angle. Thus far the differences between the Oregon and Harding administrations have been centered on article 27 of the Mexican constitution, the United States claiming that Mexico's assurances that the article would not be retroactive in effect should be specifically covered by treaty, and the Mexicans insisting that they cannot interpret their constitution in a treaty.

But it develops that the United States government indolently omitted mention in its negotiations of one very important point covered in another article of the same Mexican constitution which might have been made the basis for the United States' recognition of Oregon if the Harding administration had been disposed to follow the suggestion of President Wilson.

This article—number 13—states that the president of the Mexican republic shall have certain qualifications, among them this: "He shall not have taken part, directly or indirectly in any uprising, riot or military coup."

EVIDENCE AGAINST OREGON
The department of state has on file a statement made by relatives of former President Carranza alleging that the Oregon regime was responsible for the death of Carranza. The evidence is much more tangible than that which President Wilson possessed concerning the part played by Huerta in ordering the death of Madero, and it was because Huerta was believed to have gotten into office as a result of violence to his predecessor that Mr. Wilson absolutely refused to recognize him.

The department of state has been urged to act because it has a stronger case against Oregon than President Wilson had against Huerta. Mr. Wilson based his objection on the broad principle that peace would come to Latin America only by refusing to recognize governments that were not elected by force and by assisting only those governments which were regularly elected as a result of orderly processes.

REPEAL WOULD BE JUSTIFIED
The Mexicans themselves inserted a clause in the new constitution to prevent ambitious citizens from electing those who had been violent to the president. It is therefore argued that the Harding administration would be justified in refusing Oregon recognition because of the provisions of article 13 of the Mexican constitution. For one of the first tenets of a recognition policy is that the executive of a country shall have been legally elected.

The United States government has thus far, however, refused to recognize article 13 as a basis for action and has simply preferred to await Mexico's attitude toward another article in the same constitution. The American position has violated verbal assurances given the United States by the Carranza regime when the Carranza government de jure recognition. The American government does not ask that the constitution be changed, but that the varying interpretations be cleared up by definite statement in a treaty which shall protect Americans against retroactive action.

ASSURANCES WERE GIVEN

It was learned by the writer today, for instance, that the Wilson administration was given assurances at Mexico City through Ambassador Fletcher to the effect that the Mexican constitution would not be retroactive. Mr. Fletcher is now under secret orders to give a guiding influence in the Mexican policy of the Harding administration. He has given the Harding administration the benefit of his recollections on the subject and the American case is based not so much on the language of article 27 of the constitution as it is on the way the article actually has worked out in practice. The American government is still waiting until it can take the next step, but it is evident that the Washington authorities are not as much impressed with the inviolate character of article 27 when they have reason to suspect that article 27 governing the qualifications of a president are retroactive and that article 27 could be desired as the basis for a refusal of recognition. That's the viewpoint here, disappointing as it may be to those who had hoped for the early resumption of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Medford Man Shot; Assailant Unknown

Medford, June 18.—R. Carpenter, 30 years old, of Medford, is in a local hospital with a bullet in his left lung. He was shot Thursday night on the home-stead claim of Thomas Williams, one mile from Jacksonville. Carpenter claims he was standing beside the cabin when the shot came from an unknown source. Friday, while investigating into the mystery, Sheriff Terrill found a home-made still and some mash in Williams' cabin, and arrested Williams on charges of manufacturing liquor. Williams claims ignorance of the shooting of Carpenter. Carpenter's condition is critical.

Bandon Lumber Mill Resumes Operations

Marshfield, June 18.—The Moore Mill & Lumber company of Bandon, which has been closed due to lack of vessels in which to ship lumber, will resume work Wednesday. The company has special orders for spruce lumber, which will be taken up the river on scows to Coquille and from there shipped by rail.

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AMERICAN POLO TEAM WHICH WON TODAY'S INTERNATIONAL GAME



Above—The members of the American team ready to take the field. From left to right they are C. C. Runsey, T. Hitchcock, J. Watson Webb and Devereaux Milburn. Below—Tom Hitchcock, the baby of the American team, showed great form in practice periods. He is in the foreground making a backstroke.

DID WOMAN WRITE MYSTERY LETTERS IN BOMBING PLOT?

San Francisco, June 18.—(I. N. S.) Will the arrest of Leone Esmond or Leone Dunbar on a charge of criminal syndicalism, provide a solution of the mystery of the authorship of the warning letters which preceded the preparedness day bombing in 1916, for which Thomas Mooney and Warren K. Billings are serving life sentences in prison?

1000 LETTERS WRITTEN

She is suspected, according to Police Captain John J. O'Meara, who caused her arrest, of having written a series of letters threatening scores of prominent persons for their patriotic endeavors. "Chauncey McGovern, handwriting expert, stated he had probably 1000 letters believed to have been written by a common author to prominent people in the United States," he said. The authorship of the warning letters received before the Preparedness day bombing have always been a mystery and, according to statement by the woman, the officers who arrested her directed a large portion of the eight hour grilling to which they subjected her to the question of the authorship of the letters and that Esmond had been the authorship of the Preparedness day warnings. She also declares that they told her that they had reason to believe that Esmond was the arch mind behind the bombing."

Salmon Protection Resolution Aimed At Purse Seiners

Washington, June 18.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Senator McNary's resolution requesting the president to negotiate a treaty for the protection of salmon in the off-shore waters of the United States and Canada is aimed at the seiners who go beyond the three-mile limit, where the law of protection at this time controls.

SUICIDE THREATENED

McCarthy, who had gained the woman's confidence through months of association with her, declared she had told him she would kill herself if ever arrested. McCarthy said she spoke several times to the police, and that she was an expert stenographer and an accomplished musician. Officials connected with the case decline to discuss the Mooney angle of the case. Upon arraignment, her case went over one preliminary hearing and another which will probably be delayed some time as her attorney, J. G. Lawlor, will be working for some two weeks on another case and will ask for a postponement until his return.

Aberdeen Logger Believed Suicide

Aberdeen, Wash., June 18.—The body of Hans C. Forland, logger, was found Friday afternoon on the mud flats near the Houlihan by a party of boys. A razor nearby and one wrist slashed gave evidence of suicide. Dependancy over no work for money to have been the cause. He had evidently been dead a week. Papers in his possession show he had relatives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bathed Too Much; Lands in Asylum

Providence, R. I.—Anthony Baden Durfee spent his days living in a bathtub. So they put him in Butler asylum. They kept him there 45 years. Now they have released him, the court finding that Anthony was not insane at all. Durfee is 75 years old. He left his bathtub to talk to a reporter.

To Inspect Artillery
Astoria, June 18.—Adjutant General George A. White and six members of his staff went through this city late Friday afternoon to inspect the Oregon coast artillery at Fort Stevens.

PACKER CONTROL PASSED BY SENATE

Washington, June 17.—(U. P.)—The packer control bill, in substantially the same form as adopted by the house, was passed by the senate late today.

Goldendale School Gets Teachers at Reduced Salaries

Goldendale, Wash., June 18.—With the exception of the sixth and seventh grades of the grammar school and the commercial instructor in the high school, the Goldendale school board has obtained teachers to take the place of eight out of the 14 teachers employed here last year, who declined to make new contracts for the 1921-22 school year on a \$10 a month reduction in salaries.

Mrs. Julia Pearson Of Salem Bruised In Auto Collision

Mrs. Julia Pearson of Salem is at Sellwood hospital where bruises and a severe nervous condition are being treated following an automobile accident at East Eighty-second street and Forty-third avenue Friday evening. Mrs. Pearson was a passenger in a car driven by Edward Whitlow of Falls City.

Lad Badly Cut in Fall From Bicycle

Grant L. Griffiths, 12-year-old son of Owen C. Griffiths, 650 East Morrison street, probably will recover from an accident that Friday evening severed his jugular vein when he fell from his bicycle at East Sixty-second and Belmont streets. The lad was rushed to St. Vincent hospital and his wounds were sewed.

House Votes to Reduce Army Size

Washington, June 18.—(I. N. S.)—The house on Friday voted in favor of the Anthony amendment to the army appropriation bill which would order a reduction in the size of the army to 150,000 men by October and so instructed its conferees on the army bill. This was a compromise between previous house action favoring an immediate reduction to 150,000 and the senate action providing for maintenance of the present size of the army until next May.

Work Speeded Up On Cove-Union Road Following Protest

Cove, June 18.—Efforts to speed up work on the Cove-Union road were decided upon by the commercial club, as it is felt the progress is unsatisfactory. Present at the club luncheon were: J. E. Tripper, Robert Baxter, Ray Duncan, Grover Duffy, Wesley Walmer, Joe Goyette, Lew Bloom, Ed Knoblock and Judd Geer, with Mrs. Eva Duncan, president of the Woman's club, as guest. Mrs. Duncan spoke in behalf of the library.

U. S. TAKES STEPS ON FOREIGN LOANS

Washington, June 18.—(I. N. S.)—Secretary of the Treasury Mellon will shortly go before congress and request additional authority to negotiate the early settlement and refund of the \$10,000,000,000 debt which European nations owe this country, it was learned at the White House.

La Follette, Norris To Force Senate to Take Up Irish Issue

Washington, June 18.—The Irish question will break out in the senate next week. Senators Norris (Nebraska) and La Follette speeches may draw vigorous American recognition of the Irish republic. Norris intends to speak Monday if he gets the chance. La Follette will join him in upholding the viewpoint maintained by the Friends of Irish Freedom and similar organizations in the United States.

Status of State Patients Fixed

Salem, Or., June 18.—A former patient of the Oregon state hospital, who moves to the state of Washington after discharge from the Oregon institution, becomes a resident of Washington and subject to the jurisdiction of that state, according to an opinion written by Attorney General Van Winkle for the information of the state board of control. The attorney general advises that the request of the deportation agent of the state of Washington for authority to send an insane person back to that state should be denied.

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Fined for Contempt

Marshfield, Or., June 18.—For the first time in many years Judge John S. Coke, in the circuit court, fined two persons for contempt. James Stock Summer was fined \$20 for not responding to a subpoena to serve as a juror, and Frank Hyde was fined \$25 for not appearing when called as a witness before the grand jury.

HAPGOOD FINDS HARDING DOING TOLERABLY WELL

By Norman Hapgood
Editorial Correspondent Universal Service
Washington, June 18.—The request most frequently made of me as I saunter around Washington is to express my opinion about how the Harding administration is doing. The request is more frequent than questions about the local baseball nine or Carpenter's chance, and easier to answer.

TA'ND ABOUT DEBS

Also, it stated that it was going to get rid of Palmerism right away and act on the cases of Debs and others imprisoned as a result of war mania. It advertised this with the special trip of George Harvey, about which so many pulpits are thundering and everybody talking. I care a lot about the restoration of peace psychology, about which the majority seem indifferent.

IT HAS BEEN WORSE

In a letter he says: "The work drags discouragingly, does it not? The quality of mercy within the understanding heart seems to have left the world." Dr. Holmes was referring to the amnesty work. "It is discouraging, but here are a few encouraging reminders: Burning at the stake was practiced on the Englishmen until about 200 years ago. Torture was practiced in England in the seventeenth century. It belonged to death or nearly to death lasted into the nineteenth century. In 1788 parliament voted Pitt down when he tried to abolish the slave trade. As history goes it was only yesterday that women and children worked in chains underground in the mines. The highest officers in England took bribes in the eighteenth century.

PROGRESSING SLOWLY

"The gallant and pious knight left none but illegitimate issue." Meat does progress, however slowly, and he is the only animal that progresses at all. Huxley tells us that shivering apes will huddle around an abandoned fire, creeping closer as the embers die, but never in all the centuries did it occur to an ape to throw on a log of wood. "Another friend of mine, whom I must not mention because he is on the bench, writes thus: "I pay the exorbitant price of 3 cents each day for the privilege of reading your brief comments on things in general. I am beginning to wonder when this aggregation of our best minds is going to do something."

PEACE—WHERE IS IT!

"About a year ago we were assured that we should have peace as soon as the incoming president could sign his name to a resolution declaring peace. It is over three months and we have got no peace, business has all gone to— and I am pestered with applica-

Gas Mask Used to Rescue Victim of Ammonia Explosion

Freewater, Or., June 18.—Jens Therkelsen, manager of the Hudson Bay creamery at Umapine, was badly burned about the chest when in attempting to repair an ice machine, he turned the wrong screw and the ammonia tank exploded. An expert was called from Walla Walla and before the room could be entered, was forced to don a gas mask.

W. P. Putnam, Boise, Made President of Power Association

Election of officers was the principal business of the closing session of the fourth annual convention of the Northwest Electric Light & Power association at the Multnomah hotel Friday afternoon. W. P. Putnam of Boise, Idaho, was chosen president to succeed Franklin S. Griffiths. Other officers: Washington; George L. Myers, vice president for Oregon, and I. E. Rockwell, vice president for Idaho.

Two I. W. W. Freed; One Pair Convicted

Chehalis, Wash., June 18.—Two I. W. W.'s guilty and two not guilty was the verdict Friday night by a Lewis county jury in the trial of W. F. Moudy, Tom Nash, G. I. Smith and Charles Bevers, charged with criminal syndicalism. Nash was found guilty, the others were acquitted. The jury was out six and a half hours.

Thirteen Federal True Bills Found

Thirteen federal indictments in narcotic and liquor cases were reported Friday afternoon by the grand jury which has been in session all week. The most important indictments were against Peter Rogovin and William Wallace, who were captured at the Union station May 20 with 56 ounces of narcotics in their possession, and against William Olson, alias Joe Miller, who was charged with falsifying the denomination of \$1 bills.

Farm Bureau Plans Laid

Oregon City, June 18.—The executive committee of the Clackamas County Farm bureau met this morning to plan for the work of the bureau for the next month. County Agent Holt and others attending the Farmers' week at Corvallis returned in time to attend the meeting.

Marshfield Wedding

Marshfield, Or., June 18.—Chester R. Clarke, deputy customs collector for Portland, and Miss Minnie E. Rogers of Marshfield were married Friday at Coquille, Rev. Mr. Smith officiating. The bride came from Portland accompanied by Clarke's mother. They will postpone their wedding tour until Clarke has his vacation.

By covering a lifeboat with blanket

Portland inventor believes he has made it unsinkable as well as increased its buoyancy.

FEAR OF DEFICIT VANISHES; U. S. IN CLEAR FOR YEAR

By Ralph F. Couch
Washington, June 18.—(U. P.)—With ordinary expenditures totalling slightly more than \$5,000,000,000 for the fiscal year to end in two weeks, the government will have kept practically within its income for the first year since 1914, reports of the treasury department now indicate.

MARGIN IN SIGHT

Income of the government for the year will be nearly \$5,500,000,000, according to a recent estimate by Secretary Mellon. This would give the government pocket-book a slight leeway between income and outgo for the year.

DISBURSEMENTS CUT

This shows that for the first 11 months of the present year disbursements were reduced \$1,284,000,000, as compared with last year. Ordinary receipts for the first 11 months of the present fiscal year totalled \$5,045,000,000, or almost 400,000,000 more than was paid out this year, unless all present forecasts fail.

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Payments to the railroads totalled \$729,000,000, while the navy department took \$588,000,000 and the war department \$1,284,000,000. The lowest single item of expenditure was what is described as the "executive proper," meaning the White House and its offices. This cost only \$633,642.15. Congress ate up more than \$17,000,000 of the treasury department's \$23,000,000 and the interior department \$315,000,000.

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