

MEXICANS FIRE ON U. S. TROOPS

Assault Quickly Driven Off and Four Killed.

Negro Soldiers Rush Into Battle, Backed by Citizens and Cowboys—Boundary Crossed.

Douglas, Ariz.—For nearly half an hour Sunday morning a force of 60 Mexican soldiers engaged 16 United States troopers of the Ninth cavalry, under Lieutenant Michaelson, on the international boundary line here until probably six of the Mexicans had been killed, several wounded and troops E and F, of the Ninth cavalry, arrived to reinforce the handful of Americans.

Reports of the casualties differ, some running as high as six Mexicans killed and others giving only four as the definite number of dead.

Four American army officers, walking on the American line three miles from Douglas, were fired on by 60 regular Mexican soldiers patrolling the border out of Agua Prieta, opposite Douglas. Sixteen of the negro troopers of the Ninth rushed to the place of the firing, and a spirited skirmish ensued.

The American soldiers are holding their position at the international line, reinforced by two troops of the Ninth. The Mexicans were routed, leaving four killed on the field and others straggling through the brush nursing their wounds. It is said that the American troops became so excited that they overstepped the boundary and pursued the Mexicans for some distance.

The fight caused great excitement at Douglas. The townspeople armed themselves and rushed to the boundary, believing that the Mexican soldiers were intending to invade the United States. Within a few moments hundreds of citizens were at the place, armed and ready. Cowboys rushed in from nearby ranches.

City officials of Douglas in communication with state officials in Phoenix, immediately after the fight, declared the negro troops had killed six of their opponents and urged the State department to use every effort to protect the lives of Americans on this side of the border.

LENIENCY SHOWN TO HEIKE

Sugar Trust Official Is Relieved of Prison Sentence.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft has commuted the fine and costs, the sentence of Charles R. Heike, secretary and treasurer of the American Sugar Refining company, of eight months in the New York county penitentiary and a fine of \$5000.

Heike was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States in effecting entry of dutiable sugar at less than its true cost.

The president acted upon the recommendation of Attorney General Wickensham. Papers in the case were filed with the department showing that Heike, who had not begun to serve his sentence, was suffering from a complication of diseases of the heart, kidney and lungs. To remove him from his home, it was urged, would endanger his life.

British Suffragettes Mobbed.

London—The public temper is rising against the suffragettes. Wild scenes were witnessed Sunday afternoon in Hyde Park when a mob of several thousand broke up a suffragette meeting held under the leadership of "General" Mrs. Flora Drummond. Several free fights occurred and masses of turf torn from the ground were hurled at the speakers. It required a strong body of police to protect the suffragettes and escort them to a place of safety. Similar scenes marked a meeting at Wimbledon common. In both cases women were knocked down and bruised.

Drinkers Yield Surplus.

Washington, D. C.—The booming of customs receipts and the record drinking and smoking of Americans, yielding enormous internal revenue, have given the Federal government a surplus of \$7,379,000 for the current fiscal year as compared with a deficit of \$20,570,000 a year ago. Total receipts for February reached \$54,803,000, from which was expended \$52,839,000. The working balance which the Democratic administration finds in the treasury, is indicated by the statement, will be about \$78,000,000.

Ernesto Madero Worried.

Ithaca, N. Y.—Some concern is felt over the condition of mind of Ernesto Madero, the Cornell student and brother of the late President of Mexico. After engaging railroad transportation to New York last week with the intention of going to meet his family in Havana, it is learned he remained here in the care of friends. He was deeply affected by the tragic deaths of his brothers. It is now thought young Madero will go to Havana.

Italians Repulse Arabs.

Tripoli—Several hundred Arabs attacked an Italian post, but were repulsed with heavy losses. They left 35 dead and carried off others in addition to the wounded. On the Italian side two native soldiers were killed and an officer was wounded.

CONVICTED MEN ARE FREED

Sixteen Labor Leaders Have Left Leavenworth Prison.

Leavenworth, Kan.—Olaf A. Tvietsmo and Eugene A. Clancy, both of San Francisco, two of the labor leaders convicted at Indianapolis last December upon charges by the government of conspiring in the illegal transportation of explosives, were released on bonds from the Federal prison here late Sunday.

The order from the court for the release of the labor men was brought here by Edward Nockels, secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor, and at 5:30 o'clock Tvietsmo and Clancy were free. At 6:30 o'clock the two, in company with Nockels, left for Chicago.

Tvietsmo, who is secretary of the California building trades council, said that after two weeks in Chicago he and Clancy would return to California.

"I have no regrets for the past and no fears for the future," he said, "and I am going back to devote myself to helping vindicate labor of these charges."

He said that all of the men imprisoned with him were treated well at the prison.

"In fact," he said, with a smile, "the persecution seemed to end when we entered the prison doors."

APPLE SIZER IS BIG SUCCESS

Hood River Growers Make Move to Reduce Cost of Production.

Hood River, Or.—With the low price for apples during the past season, the growers have come to consider as one of their greatest problems the cutting of the cost of production and preparation for marketing. Working with this in mind, Cutler Bros., who have one of the largest tracts on the East Side, spent this winter in Portland perfecting an automatic sizer, which they exhibited to the growers.

A large number of the growers met at A. I. Mason's apple house, where the sizer was put through the most difficult tests. It was the opinion of E. H. Shepard and other fruit experts that the grading and sizing done by the machine was better than could be done by an expert fruit packer. By the use of the machine, which is driven by electric power, unskilled labor can be used in apple sizing.

Frank Cutler, a member of the orchard firm of Cutler Bros., is the inventor of the machine. He is a mechanical engineer, having graduated from the University of Illinois. It is probable that a factory will be established in this city to turn out the machines.

CONVICTS TO BE REWARDED

Good Roads Congress Would Give Incentive for Highway Work.

Chicago—The Fifth International Good Roads congress closed here Sunday after adopting resolutions urging the employment of convicts on public highways at a commutation of 10 days of their sentence for every 30 days of labor. The resolution reads: "We urge the adoption by every state of the convict labor system of Colorado, giving all available convicts the privilege of working on the public highways with a commutation of 10 days for every 30 days' work. We urge the state and national construction of post roads and the construction of a national Lincoln memorial highway, connecting Washington with the capitals of every state in the Union."

Turks Fear Revolution.

Constantinople—The government appears apprehensive of a fresh revolution since the discovery of a conspiracy on Thursday last, when several prominent officers and civilians, including a former military governor, were placed under arrest. The Young Turk leaders are nervous and the garrison has been increased by two regiments. The guards at the Porte have also been strengthened and other precautionary measures have been taken. Many officers have been dismissed from the army for meddling in politics.

Jail Preferred to Wife.

Des Moines, Ia.—John Davis was sentenced to a year in the penitentiary in the District court here Monday for wife desertion, after he had told the judge that he preferred hard labor in prison either to returning to Mrs. Davis or contributing to her support. Davis was in court a week ago and was given that much time to determine which he would prefer—imprisonment or reconciliation. His liberty on a bond of \$1000 was offered him.

Bryan Lectures on "Peace."

Raleigh, N. C.—W. J. Bryan spoke here Sunday to 8000 persons on "Peace." He was a special guest of the North Carolina Peace Conference, which was in session in this city. Mr. Bryan and party, accompanied by Joseph Daniels, who, it is reported will be secretary of the navy in President Wilson's cabinet, left for Washington.

Foreign Steamers Fired On.

Constantinople—French and Italian steamers passing Charkel have been fired upon by the Bulgarians. One Italian vessel was badly damaged and as a consequence was beached. It is reported that British vessels also have attracted the fire of the Bulgarians.

DOINGS OF OREGON'S LEGISLATURE

A Brief Resume of Proceedings of the People's Representatives at the State Capital, Bills Introduced, Passed, Rejected, Etc.

- The following measures have been passed by both houses of the legislature and signed by the Governor:
- H. B. 3—Repealing section 2032, obsolete.
- H. B. 10—Repealing section 3233, obsolete.
- H. B. 41—Abolishing office of State Land Agent.
- H. B. 47—Providing for manner of executing satisfaction of mortgage by the State Land Board.
- H. B. 54—Limiting indebtedness for irrigation districts.
- H. B. 17—Repealing sections 3441 and 3442, relating to terms of office of the Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Printer and Supreme Judges.
- H. B. 129—Amending motor vehicle law.
- H. B. 143—Amends section 2069, relative to penalty for sodomy.
- H. B. 150—Repeals sections 5517 to 5523, inclusive.
- H. B. 190—Repeals sections 6438 to 6466.
- H. B. 91—Amends sections 513 relative to maintenance and custody of children affected by divorce.
- H. B. 90—Increasing salaries and duties in office of lands in Multnomah County.
- H. B. 30—Conveying Government title to lands at Fort Stevens Military Reservation.
- H. B. 135—Amends section 2066 and reopens section 4194 and 4195, pertaining to disorderly conduct.
- H. B. 136—Relating to ballot titles on measure referred to the people.
- H. B. 136—Civil service for teachers in school districts of 20,000 or more population.
- H. B. 34—Making 100 pounds the standard weight for a sack of potatoes.
- H. B. 105—Relating to the descent and distribution of real property.
- H. B. 104—Relating to milk inspectors.
- H. B. 129—Amending sections 2000 and 20,000 population to establish trade schools for 100,000 or more population.
- H. B. 170—Amends pension bill.
- H. B. 170—To prevent swine from roaming at large in certain townships in Malheur County.
- H. B. 81—Increasing salaries of all Circuit Judges to \$1000 a year.
- H. B. 48—Repealing sections 2222, 2223, 490 and 490.
- H. B. 79—Relating to the inspection of railroad track scales.
- H. B. 173—Providing for the suspension and revocation of licenses held upon land by state to John Morrison estate.
- H. B. 128—Relating to time of taking appeals.
- H. B. 183—Relating to time of taking appeals in civil cases.
- H. B. 242—Providing for special referendum election.
- H. B. 243—Making appropriation for Indian war veterans.
- H. B. 49—Providing for manner of registration.
- H. B. 205—Creating bureau of mines and geology.
- H. B. 205—Creating county sealer of weights and measures.
- H. B. 278—Making appropriation for pavilion for state fair grounds.
- H. B. 377—Making appropriation for a pavilion for state fair grounds.
- H. B. 446—Providing for taking up estrays.
- H. B. 321—Providing for the compilation of election laws.
- H. B. 345—Providing for the printing of the Oregon Court Reports.
- H. B. 500—Amending law for determining heirs for estate.
- H. B. 277—Relating to bill of exceptions.
- H. B. 277—To provide for depositaries of records in various institutions.
- H. B. 320—Authorizing County School Superintendent of Multnomah to hire one of his assistants.
- H. B. 139—Relating to bill of exceptions.
- H. B. 174—To provide for Yamhill walnut orchards.
- H. B. 211—Providing for use of voting machines.
- H. B. 323—Relating to County Auditor of Multnomah County.
- H. B. 399—To create State Highway Commission.
- H. B. 422—To provide for state printing board.
- H. B. 434—Blue Sky law.
- H. B. 441—Providing for method of computing various institutions.
- H. B. 449—Providing for County Attorney.
- H. B. 448—Relating to intestates.
- H. B. 508—Relating to incorporation of cities and towns.
- H. B. 517—To authorize suit in equity against the state by Charles Aitachul.
- H. B. 524—Providing for assessment of damages in laying out roads.
- H. B. 556—To protect private stable keepers.
- H. B. 604—Interstate bridge bill.
- H. B. 621—State Capital deficiency appropriation.
- H. B. 622—For armory at Medford.
- H. B. 623—For payment of miscellaneous claims.
- H. B. 392—To prevent location of fish traps in certain localities.
- H. B. 376—Amending chapter 179, laws 1917.
- H. B. 456—Relating to salary of clerk of State Land Board.
- H. B. 460—Authorizing purchase of site for fair grounds.
- H. B. 497—For maintenance of University of Oregon.
- H. B. 515—Authorizing State Board of Control to buy supplies.
- H. B. 537—For levying tax for research in agricultural problems.
- H. B. 614—Relating to registration of motor vehicles.
- H. B. 614—Levying tax for maintenance of O. A. C.
- H. B. 628—General appropriation bill.
- H. B. 3—To reimburse Richard Williams.
- H. B. 123—Providing for stocking streams with salmon.
- H. B. 172—Relating to disorderly women.
- H. B. 173—Relating to bridges across the Willamette at Portland.
- H. B. 312—Relating to apportionment for county roads.
- H. B. 318—Repealing sections relating to foreign corporations.
- H. B. 317—For bounty on gophers in Tillamook County.
- H. B. 378—Relating to Interstate bridges.
- H. B. 428—County fair millage bill.
- H. B. 461—For collection of tax on personal property.
- H. B. 25—For appointment of deputies for State Dairy and Food Commissioner.
- H. B. 33—Relating to state library.
- H. B. 75—Appropriation for Board of Inspectors of Child Labor.
- H. B. 121—Relating to furnishing liquor to inmates of institutions.
- H. B. 121—Authorizing Portland, Eugene & Eastern to build bridges near New Era.
- H. B. 136—To establish Industrial Home in Clatsop County.
- H. B. 136—Regulating a business under an assumed name.
- H. B. 136—To permit officers to ride on any car or train.
- H. B. 280—To reimburse V. E. Tracey.
- H. B. 220—Relating to appropriation of water.
- H. B. 223—To investigate road rights between Portland and The Dalles.
- H. B. 240—Relating to appropriation for roads.
- H. B. 298—Making it a misdemeanor to deface State Board of Health notices.
- H. B. 311—Relating to safety of passengers on trains.
- H. B. 35—Fixing specific gravity of gasoline.
- H. B. 104—Regulating practice of pharmacy.
- H. B. 119—Providing for minimum training for teachers.
- H. B. 124—Authorizing Supreme Court to exchange codes.
- H. B. 123—Increasing number of Justices of Supreme Court.
- H. B. 143—Relating to petition for dedication of road.
- H. B. 187—Repealing section 5306.
- H. B. 204—Relating to issuance of special certificates to teachers.
- H. B. 205—Relating to reinstatement of dissolved corporations.
- H. B. 205—Relating to duties of school boards.
- H. B. 317—Relating to pleading counter-claims.
- H. B. 113—Relating to county fire inspectors.
- H. B. 220—To determine compensation for crossing land.
- H. B. 201—To require correspondence schools to furnish proof.
- H. B. 404—Requiring fire drills in schools.
- H. B. 411—Making training courses optional with teachers.
- H. B. 292—Providing for execution of criminal laws.
- H. B. 292—To prevent spread of bubonic plague.
- H. B. 191—Appropriation for Oregon Social Hygiene Society.
- H. B. 254—Stock at large in Sherman and Morrow counties.
- H. B. 414—Relating to assessment and equalization of taxes.
- H. B. 412—Relating to trespass notices.
- H. B. 31—Prohibiting saloons in depots.
- H. B. 46—Requiring medical certificates for marriage licenses.
- H. B. 130—Relating to testimony of husband and wife.
- H. B. 203—To provide for state game preserves.
- H. B. 296—Providing for normal at Westport.
- H. B. 327—Providing for uniform marking for coyote skins.
- H. B. 188—Making it unlawful to fish in certain streams.

MONEY TRUST REALLY EXISTS

Committee Recommends Strict Supervision By Law.

Action Centers on Morgan Banks—'Banking Ethics' Assiat Operations—Remedies Offered.

Requires clearing houses to become state corporations and give right of membership to all solvent banks.

Prohibit clearing houses from fixing rates on out-of-town collections.

Prohibit transmission by mail, telephone or telegraph of orders to buy or sell, or quotations on any stock exchange not incorporated under state laws.

Require corporations listing stocks to make complete disclosure of their affairs.

Require margin of at least 20 per cent on stock purchases.

Prohibit "wash sales."

Prohibit private pledging of customers' securities.

Give access to books showing actual names of customers to postmaster-general.

Washington, D. C.—That a money trust does exist and that its powers should be curbed by stringent Federal regulations as to the conduct of National banks, clearing-houses and stock exchanges, were the findings of the house money trust committee set forth in the majority report of its investigations filed in the house Saturday.

The report, signed by Chairman Pujo and six other Democratic members was accompanied by two bills, one to regulate stock exchanges through forbidding the mails to exchanges which do not comply with Federal regulations, and the other to regulate clearing-house associations, through forbidding National banks to join such associations unless Federal regulations are observed.

On the question of the existence of a money trust, the report is specific and detailed.

"It would, of course, be absurd," said the report, "to suggest that control of the bulk of the widely distributed wealth of a great nation can be controlled by any set of men. If that is what is meant by gentlemen who deny the existence of a money trust, your committee agrees with them. It is not, however, necessary that a group of men shall control directly the small savings in the banks nor the scattered resources of the country in order to monopolize the great financial transactions, or to be able to dictate credits to be extended or withheld from business enterprises."

CASTRO ADMIRER OF WILSON

Believes New President Will Be Aid to Latin-America.

Havana—Cipriano Castro, when questioned on the subject of his visit to Washington for the presidential inauguration, expressed his admiration for Mr. Wilson and gave out the following statement: "My opinion is that the magnificent future of the American continent was saved with the triumph of the candidacy of Woodrow Wilson. I understand that the policy of Mr. Wilson, judging from his political documents that have been circulated up to the present, is one of equity, justice and mutual respect, which is precisely what the Latin-American republics have claimed from the sister republic in the north."

OVERWORK IS GREAT FOLLY

Words of Two Prominent Men That Should be Considered by Every Busy Person.

Womon can rail at the folly of overwork and she gets scant heed. Here is what two prominent men have to say about it. Whether they practice as they preach is best known to themselves, but the sentiment is all right.

Chauncey Depew has said: "I do not believe in overwork, and the body can not endure it."

Kirkham, in his "Recourses," writes: "If we do not play enough it is because we are overfond of business and because the modern ideal is, not a well-rounded man of elevated mind, healthy body and divers resources, but a rich man, a man of property—of one resource only. Another reason is, play implies leisure, and leisure is the cardinal heresy against the religion of trade, the dogma of business. The orthodox view is a life of constant effort, followed by retirement and rest. The fruit of that doctrine is a host of prematurely old men, cynical, dyspeptic, nervously depleted, without resources, but with money; that is to say, dead men."

Turks Make Peace Move.

London—Great reticence is being observed concerning a new move by Turkey for securing peace with the Balkan allies. According to the Daily Telegraph, there is reason to believe Turkey is about to entrust her cause to the powers without stipulating any conditions. Assuming this to be the case, the Telegraph says, doubts are expressed whether the allies will insist upon Turkey's making direct overtures to them, and whether they will consent to any terms while Adrianople and Scutari still hold out.

Calero May Be Aspirant.

Mexico City—Mannuel Calero, ex-ambassador to the United States, who on the floor of the senate the night of February 2 declared that he had lied to the American government for ten months in an effort to convince the Washington authorities that conditions in Mexico were not serious, will compete with Felix Diaz for the presidency, if he yields to the persuasion of friends. A meeting of Calero's partisans launched his candidacy.

Bathtub Case Quashed.

Detroit—Attorney General Wickensham directed the Federal district attorney here to quash the pending indictments against the members of the so-called bathtub trust, who recently were convicted of criminal conspiracy in restraint of trade.

Cleaning Copper.

Although vinegar may be used to clean the outside of copper cooking utensils, care should be taken to avoid letting any fall on the tin lining of the pan. To clean the pan inside and out, by far the best method is to scrub it with soda, hot water and soap. The outside may then be polished with a rag dipped in vinegar.

Fruit Loaf.

One pound dates, one pound nuts, three-fourths cup English walnuts ground through grinder and mix thoroughly together, knead into a roll and roll in powdered sugar.