

CASTRO SHOWS HIS FEELINGS

Venezuelan President Ignores Bureau of American Republics Ceremonies.

ONLY IMPORTANT COUNTRY IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE

All Other Rulers Send Messages of Congratulations—Omission Considered Significant Because of the Strained Relations Between United States and the South American Republic—Impressive Ceremonies Attend the Laying of Cornerstone for the Home of the Bureau.

Washington, May 11.—President Castro of Venezuela did not send a message of congratulation when the formal ceremonies attendant to the laying of the cornerstone of the home of the international bureau of American republics were held today.

Venezuela was the only important nation in the western hemisphere whose ruler did not send a cable message expressing congratulation and the omission is significant due to the strained relations which now exist between Castro's government and the United States.

Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore, delivered the invocation and Bishop Cranston the benediction. The exercises were held at 3 o'clock in the presence of an enormous crowd.

John Barrett, director of the bureau introduced Secretary of State Root, who presided. The building and site cost \$1,000,000.

In addressing the big gathering, Ambassador Joaquin Nabuco praised Roosevelt and Carnegie. Facing the President he said: "No president of the United States will leave in the history of Pan Americanism a deeper mark than you are cutting from ocean to ocean to change the sea routes of the world so as to bring nearer the peoples and cities of the two fronts of our continent." Andrew Carnegie made a short address.

SOLD LIFE DEARLY

One of Mrs. Guinness' Victims Did Not Die Easily.

La Porte, May 11.—Evidence came to light today indicating that the body of Andrew Helgaine, one of Mrs. Guinness' alleged victims, did not fall a victim to his death blow until after he had made a desperate fight for his life.

Dr. J. H. Meyer, who made an examination of the corpse, reported to the coroner that he found several brown curly hairs in the clenched fist of Helgaine's right hand. It is supposed that in the death struggle he pulled the hair out of the scalp of his slayer.

Police are now willing to accept the original theory that Mrs. Guinness died in the fire which destroyed her home.

SAILORS SEE 'FRISCO.

Unfavorable Weather Does Not Keep Men on Ships.

San Francisco, May 11.—The sixth day of the fleet's stay in San Francisco bay was cold and cloudy, but the unfavorable weather conditions did not deter hundreds of sailors and officers from making numerous little side trips in automobiles and observation cars.

Headed by a detachment of police, 150 gaily decorated machines left Market street and turned into Chinatown and the Latin quarters. In the party were Admirals Sebree, Swinburne, Dayton and Sperry, Mayor Taylor and Mayor Mott of Oakland, were with the officers.

Tonight a boxing tournament opens and this afternoon the championship fleet baseball game is being played.

More Graft Cases.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 11.—The second of the alleged "graft" cases having to do with the building and furnishing of the state capitol was called for trial today. This is the metallic furniture case, in which the defendants are Architect Huston, Congressman Cassell, former Auditor General Snyder, former State Treasurer Mathews, former Superintendent Shumaker and Traveling Auditor Irvine. Former Governor Stone and Pennypacker are among the notables who are to be subpoenaed for the trial.

Extra Session in New York.

Albany, N. Y., May 11.—The general assembly convened in extra session today in pursuance of the call of Governor Hughes. Opinion is at variance as to what the governor will be able to accomplish through the extra session. It is well understood, however, that he will work hard to push through the anti-race track gambling measures which the regular session refused to pass.

Three Speeches a Day.

Drain, Ore., May 11.—Judge H. M. Cake arrived at Drain this morning to deliver a speech here today. He then will speak at Cottage Grove. It was announced by the Cake party today that Judge Cake's itinerary would demand three speeches a day from now until election day.

Memorial Day in Carolina.

Raleigh, N. C., May 11.—Today was generally observed throughout North and South Carolina as Confederate Memorial day. The chief ceremonies were at Raleigh, Wilmington, Charleston, Charlotte, Asheville and Columbia.

VENUELA TOWN IS CITY OF DEATH.

Wilemstad, May 12.—La Guayra, Venezuela, is a city of death. A plague is spreading there.

Alone, unaided, the populace is making a desperate fight, but with little success. They are cut off by quarantine with a sea and land patrol. Business is suspended, stores are closed and no one comes out except upon compulsory business. The La Guayra railroad has ceased operations.

GRAND MASTER HERE.

Masons Will Hold Special Meeting to Greet Head Officials of State Grand Lodge.

Grand Master Lot L. Pierce of the grand lodge of Oregon Masons, is in the city today to visit Pendleton lodge No. 52 tonight, when a special meeting will be held for that purpose.

Grand Master Pearce will go to Umatilla tomorrow to organize a lodge at that place with a charter membership of about 20.

Worshipful Master W. H. McCormach of Pendleton lodge, urgently requests a full attendance of the members tonight to greet the grand master.

DAVID STAR JORDAN'S NAME IS HESSED

San Francisco, May 11.—The name of David Starr Jordan was greeted with hoots, yells and jeers at a meeting of the Asiatic Exclusion league last night when mentioned by a speaker.

Jordan's friendship for the Japanese and his strictures on the men who believed war with Japan a possibility aroused this feeling. Jordan recently declared the war scare was the fruit of the ravings of the yellow press of Europe and agitators in the United States.

TORNADO SWEEPS OVER OKLAHOMA

Woodward, Okla., May 11.—Leveling everything in its path, a tornado of unusual violence swept over a portion of the state today causing heavy damage at Arnett, Vici, Cooley, Grand and other small towns.

Loss of life is reported at Arnett. The tornado passed over a district 75 miles long.

The towns visited are off the railroads and only meagre reports of the disaster have been received.

SMITH IS GUILTY OF BURNING SHEDS

FIRST VERDICT AGAINST CENTRAL OREGON COWMEN.

Sam C. Smith Found Guilty of Burning Ex-Congressman Williamson's Shearing Pens—Jury Was Out But 15 Hours—Trial of Smith Is Finale of Long and Bitter Factional War in Crook County.

Prineville, Ore., May 11.—Ex-Sheriff C. Sam Smith, has been found guilty by the jury of burning the sheep shearing sheds of ex-Congressman J. N. Williamson, after deliberating on the evidence for over 15 hours. Smith was convicted on the evidence of Larkin Elliott a former accomplice, who confessed on the stand.

A new trial will be asked for today. This is the first verdict in central Oregon given against the cowmen in the range war troubles.

This is the finale of a bitter factional and neighborhood fight which grew out of the range wars and land frauds trial and almost the entire population of Crook county is divided in the matter.

Barns, hay stacks, sheep sheds, shearing pens and dwellings have been burned, miles of wire fences have been cut and irrigating ditches ruined by the warring factions and the conviction of Smith it is thought, will serve to further embitter the factions.

Sale of Rare Old Coins.

Berlin, May 11.—Agents for several American coin collectors were present at Frankfurt today at the opening of the widely-discussed sale of the coins and medals of North, Central, and South America, belonging to George F. Ulex of Hamburg, one of the greatest of European coin collectors. Among the pieces to be sold at auction is what is supposed to have been the first coin issued in America, which is ascribed to Sir Walter Raleigh's unsuccessful attempt in 1584 to establish a colony on the coast of North Carolina.

The collection to be sold embraces more than 4,000 lots of coins and medals, many of which have not been offered for sale in recent years, and it is particularly complete in the early Spanish coins which from time to time supplied the need for a circulation medium throughout the greater part of the New World.

Fairbanks to Drop Out.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 11.—It is rumored here that Vice President Fairbanks may drop quietly out of the presidential campaign without any formal announcement to that effect. It is said that Taft's victory in Kentucky has convinced the Indiana statesman of the futility of any further struggle for delegates.

MARSHFIELD HAS A GUN TRAGEDY

Woman Notorious in Two States is Fatally Wounded by Bartender.

DECLARES SHE WOULD HAVE KILLED HIM BUT GUN FAILED.

Victim Arrested in Portland for Counterfeiting and Was Being Shadowed by Detectives at Time of Tragedy—Man Says He Shot in Self-Defense But Is Lodged in Jail—Woman Displayed Revolver While Waiting for Him on Porch of Saloon—Married Coos Bay Lumberman.

Marshfield, Ore., May 11.—Mrs. Bartha Etta Gordon Lurch, well known in police circles in Portland, Sacramento and San Francisco, is lying in a Marshfield hospital dying because of a bullet wound in the kidneys as a result of a quarrel with S. Anderson, a bartender, early this morning.

Anderson is in jail and says he shot the woman in self-defense.

The woman came to the saloon and waited on the porch several hours for Anderson. She displayed a loaded revolver several times.

Finally Anderson came out to her and the couple took a launch to go to North Bend. In a few minutes a revolver shot was heard and the launch put back with the wounded woman and Anderson. He immediately gave himself up.

Mrs. Lurch declares she would have shot Anderson, but could not make her revolver work.

The federal detectives have been watching her for some time. It is said, in the belief that she is a part of a gang passing counterfeit money about Coos Bay.

The woman was arrested in Portland some years ago as a member of a counterfeiting gang, but was released. Later she gained notoriety by claiming to be the wife of Edward Sam Goon, a Coos Bay lumberman, whom she afterwards married.

AUTO RACES FOR ROSE SHOW.

Speed Contest to Be One of the Chief Attractions of the Festival.

Portland, May 11.—One of the greatest attractions of Rose festival week will be the 50-mile and 100-mile automobile speed contests to be held during the afternoon of Thursday, June 4. This will be the greatest racing event ever held on the Pacific coast; the course lies east of this city, each lap being 14 miles, and a grandstand seating 10,000 people has been erected in full view of the start and finish of the races.

No machines will be allowed to enter which are not capable of a speed of 65 miles per hour. Three magnificent silver trophy cups are offered for each race—one valued at \$500, one at \$250, and four at \$100 each. The entire course will be oiled and in perfect condition, the roads being closed to all traffic during the hours of the races and guarded by detachments of the Oregon National guard.

A field opposite the grandstand will be reserved for the use of any who may wish to view the races from airplanes stationed at different points will report the progress of the races, announcement to be made on bulletin boards.

Socialists in Convention.

Chicago, May 11.—John F. Carey of Massachusetts, was this morning elected chairman of the socialist national convention. Indications today are that the convention will nominate a candidate for president Thursday and will adjourn the next day. Guy Miller of Telluride, will today extend to the convention the greetings of Ernest Miller, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners.

In an impassioned address Victor Berger of Milwaukee, demanded that the socialist party declare in favor of trades unions. He warned the convention that he and his friends would bolt if unionism was not favored.

For a while the convention was in an uproar because of the fight between representatives of the American Federation of labor and the Industrial Workers of the World.

Pocatello Will Make Brick.

Thirty-seven thousand five hundred pounds of machinery for the plant of the Pocatello Pressed Brick and Manufacturing company of this city, being the second carload of machinery to arrive from the east, was unloaded yesterday at the plant one mile north of town by the mammoth Short Line derrick, use of which was generously permitted by the obliging railroad officials, says the Pocatello Tribune. The crew at that plant has been doubled and work of placing the machinery so as to be in shape for making brick within 10 days or two weeks is being rushed.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the company it was voted that on and after May the price of stock would be increased from 60 to 75 cents per share.

The people in the vicinity of Roy and Alder, Pierce county, Wash., are thoroughly aroused by the depredations of a band of horse and cattle thieves which is believed to have its headquarters in the foothills near those towns. Horses, cattle and hogs are being carried off almost nightly and there is strong talk of organizing a posse to try and capture the men.

WORE COAT OF MURDERED MAN

Damaging Evidence Against Edward H. Martin in Wolff Murder Case.

WIFE AND DAUGHTER IDENTIFY THE GARMENT.

Clerk Who Sold It to the Collateral Banker Also Identifies It—Was Worn by Pawnbroker on the Day He Was Killed and Martin Had It on When Arrested Few Days Later—Accused Man Maintains Stoical Air of Indifference—Says He Bought It of Peddler Four Months Ago.

Portland, May 12.—Direct evidence of the most damaging character has been secured for the state by local detectives against Edward Hugh Martin, the ex-army officer, accused of the murder of the collateral banker, Nathan Wolff.

The overcoat worn by Martin at the time he was arrested and taken to the city prison has been identified as belonging to the dead pawnbroker. It was worn by Wolff on the day he was murdered.

This is testified to by Mrs. Nathan Wolff and her 11-year-old daughter Alice.

Edward E. Eubanks, a clerk in a local clothing store, identified the coat as one he sold Wolff several months ago. He declares he remembers it particularly as it was a special order.

Martin still preserves his stoical air of indifference. When confronted with this latest phase in his case he merely offered his own explanation of his ownership of the coat.

"I bought it from a peddler in front of the Portland hotel four months ago," he said. "I can prove this fact."

FIRE CHIEF AT TONAPAH IN TROUBLE

Citizens Charge Him With Aiding Blaze's Destruction.

Tonopah, Nev., May 12.—Bitter feeling has been aroused against Fire Chief McKenzie by his alleged belligerent actions during the progress of a fire which Monday night destroyed a \$150,000 block of business houses.

Three citizens, W. Grimes, McGuire and Murphy, charge McKenzie struck them and refused to allow volunteers to take the fire fighting apparatus to the fire until he had dressed. They lay the destruction of the block to the chief's action as they assert the blaze could have easily been subdued at the start. As it was it took the department 20 minutes to move 200 feet down the hill.

The fire burned two hours. Other witnesses declared the chief cut a rope with which the volunteers were pulldown over the buildings.

D. B. Gillies, president of the Tonopah Extension club, declares McKenzie tried to stab him during the fire.

EXCURSION FOR SAILORS.

Blue Jackets Dance With Social Stars Tonight.

San Francisco, May 12.—Excursions were the principal thing on the program today for visitors and fleet guests.

Under the auspices of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce 200 officers paid a visit to the metropolis of the Santa Clara valley.

Five hundred went over to Vallejo, where they were entertained by a banquet.

This afternoon the inter-squadron cutter race takes place on the bay, and tonight the first great social function takes place, when 2500 men will dance with socially the finest in the bay towns. A blue jacket chosen by lot will lead the grand march with the ranking lady present.

Crack Shots in Tourney.

Boise, Ida., May 12.—Crack shots from Idaho, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Oregon and Washington are contesting for first honors in the annual tournament of the Idaho Sportsmen's association opened today with a blue rock shoot. Four events of a preliminary nature are scheduled for today and the tournament proper, for the added money prizes, will begin tomorrow morning and continue through Thursday. Great rivalry is manifested among the sportsmen of the various northwestern cities and there will be spirited competition for the prizes.

Telephone War Ends.

Butte, Mont., May 12.—The strike of the linemen and operators of the Rocky Mountain Belle Telephone company was called off today on a referendum vote taken by the electrical workers' union. An agreement was reached by compromise to end the strike and it means an end of the telephone war in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming.

Bill Not a Candidate.

Chicago, May 12.—William D. Haywood has announced that he will not allow his name to go before the socialist convention as a candidate for the presidential nomination. This leaves the field clear for Debs.

Boise Bank Reopens.

Boise, May 11.—Plans for reorganization of the Capital State bank with deposits of over a million dollars, were approved by Judge Wood today and May 28 was fixed as the reopening of the institution.

JAPAN FACING FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Tokio, Japan, May 12.—The finance bureau has called the leading Japanese financiers into a conference over the situation in the country.

Though it is denied that the national credit is endangered, no attempt is made to conceal the fact that business is frightfully disorganized. Government bonds have dropped from 90 to 80. Capitalists blame the depression on the national policy of the government in taking over the railroads and other public utility concerns.

MANY BOYS ESCAPE FROM STATE REFORM SCHOOL

System Introduced by New Officer at Washington Institution Is Responsible.

Centralia, May 11.—Despite the efforts of Superintendent Thompson to hide the facts it has been ascertained that 17 boys have escaped from the state training school at Chehalis, between April 7 and May 1 of this year. Of this number only a few have been recaptured. Six of these boys escaped during the last week or 10 days of April.

The cause of the trouble seems to be the installation of new rules and regulations by a new detail officer, who is a recent arrival from Kansas City. It appears that Superintendent Thompson accepted those ideas, not dreaming that the result would be so disastrous as it has become.

There have been no breaks for the boys among the girls; but owing to the absence of Mrs. Ella Stair, who has left for a two weeks' vacation at Olympia, it is feared that attempts will be made in the girls' ward.

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Helfin became annoyed by the actions of the negro, who was boisterous and upbraided him, whereupon Lundy, according to Helfin, became more noisy. After a few angry words the congressman threw the negro out of the car and then shot him with a revolver. One bullet struck Lundy and the other flying wild, struck McCreary, who was standing on a street corner.

MRS. GUNNESS WAS BURNED

BODY IN RUINS IS IDENTIFIED BY RINGS.

No Longer Seems to Be Any Doubt—Arch Fiend Finally Met Her Equal—Rings Were Embedded in Flesh and Were Not Noticed at First Examination—One Gold Band Formerly Belonged to Her Second Husband.

La Porte, Ind., May 12.—The most convincing evidence so far discovered shows that the body of the woman found in the ashes of the Guinness home was that of Mrs. Belle Guinness, who had a private burying ground near her back door, was revealed today when Dr. J. H. Meyers, the coroner's physician, found three rings on one of the hands of the corpse.

One plain gold band bore the inscription, "P. G. to J. S., Aug. 2, '94." It is thought that "P. G." was Phillip Guinness, Mrs. Guinness' second husband.

Inside the second ring, set with a diamond, was inscribed, "H. S. to J. S., 3-5-'95." The third was not inscribed.

Several people declare these to be the rings worn by Mrs. Guinness. The rings had sunk into the flesh of the hand and were not noticed at the first examination of the body.

Easy for Burns.

London, May 12.—Tommy Burns, the American heavyweight, is going to pick up some easy money, the victim being none other than poor old Boshter Bill Squires of meteoric pugilistic fame on the Pacific coast, who went down and out in a single punch last July 4th, when Burns met him at Colma. Bill, however, has picked up a reputation in cockney land by beating Jim Roach in jlg time recently, and will have a betting following. The purse will be \$87,500 and Squires thinks well enough of his chances to bet \$2500 on himself.

To Reclaim Swamps.

Washington, May 12.—Annual meeting of the national drainage congress begins today with a large attendance. The subject of drainage will be an important one for consideration at the White House conference of governors and the two meetings will cooperate in the reclamation of swamp lands.

Tillman to Europe.

Washington, May 12.—Threatened with paralysis, Senator Tillman will sail for Europe with his family Thursday in the hope of relief.

Ed Powell, who escaped from the Walla Walla penitentiary last December has been apprehended at San Jose, California. He has about half

TWO ASSAULTS ON PAWBROKERS

Portland Seems to Be Infested With Organized Gang of Thieves.

INJURIES RECEIVED BY VICTIMS MAY BE

Both Leaders of Mercantile Condition—Information—Arrest—One C Night, the Men Found in Shops, Gas P Used in Combustion, Thug

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SUSPECT FORCED TO GIVE HORRIBLE DETAIL.

Tells How Bloody Conspirators Planned to Make Way With Fellow Officer in Order to Get His Money—Suspects Pitted Against Each Other—Guilty Man Bursts Into Tears While Confessing.

Port Townsend, Wash., May 12.—By pitting the suspects against each other a confession was forced from Private Holt today in the murder of Bandman Johnson last Friday night.

By telling Holt that his companions in arrest had confessed, Holt finally broke down and gave the officers all the details of the murder.

Holt narrated the manner in which an agreement was settled between Holt, McKnight and Private Garber to do away with Johnson and secure his money.

Holt made his confession to Captain Harry Newton, of the 16th infantry and broke into tears while doing so.

McKnight stoutly denies any connection with the crime.

The force of guards about the prison has been doubled to prevent any attempt to carry out the sentiment expressed that Holt should be lynched.

Grange for Equal Suffrage.

Eugene, May 12.—State grange convention today passed a resolution favoring equal suffrage, after listening to the address of Abgill Scott Dunaway. The principal work of the convention was in perfecting the organization for regular work. Mayor J. D. Matlock welcomed the delegates.

ALASKAN WHEAT YIELDS WELL.

Idaho Man Gets 200-Fold Returns From Seed Sown.

A correspondent at Julietta, Idaho, writing to the Lewiston Tribune concerning the new Alaskan wheat grown there, says:

Farmers in this section are much interested in the development of the Alaskan wheat. The experience of Adams with the wheat has been most successful and his total crop this year is for sale for seed.

Of the propagation of wheat and the heavy yields he says:

Some three years ago I produced one head of wheat with which I have been experimenting. I sowed the one head in the fall of 1904 and in the summer of 1905 harvested seven pounds. Sowed the seven pounds in the spring of 1906 and harvested 1,545 pounds that fall.

Sowed that in the fall of same year but last year's crop was mostly destroyed by the heavy snow fall in the winter and by a hail storm in July, but saved enough to sow a number of hundred acres this fall and spring for a crop in 1908. I raised over 200 times the amount of seed sown every crop not destroyed by storm.

Victim of Spotted Fever.

The second victim of spotted fever this spring at Missoula, Mont., was buried there Thursday. He was Milton Savage of Victor. The other victim was William Chenoweth of Lolo, who was buried a few days ago. Dr. Ricketts the spotted fever expert from Washington, D. C., made an investigation in both cases.

University of Oregon and Whitman college athletes will strive for honors