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First Time Town of This Size Has Been Besieged by Yaquis—Were Armed by Mexico.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 21.—Dispatches received here from Agua Prieta say it is officially announced there that the citizens of San Marcial, Sonora, fought the Yaquis who massacred them until their ammunition was exhausted and then surrendered. The Indians are reported to have massacred hundreds of innocent residents. This is the first time the Yaquis have attacked any large town.

Town Wiped Out
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 21.—The town of San Marcial, fifty miles south of Hermosillo, in Sonora, has been completely wiped out by Yaqui Indians, according to belated despatches received here today.

The population of the town was more than 1000. Few are said to have escaped. Later messages from Hermosillo, the capital of Sonora, said that the fall of the town has been semi-officially confirmed, and that the first reports of the massacre were not exaggerated.

According to the earlier despatches, the Indians, 500 strong, besieged the village Wednesday night. The inhabitants resisted until yesterday morning, when their ammunition was exhausted.

White Flags Ignored
The Yaquis paid no heed to white flags that were displayed and rushed through the streets butchering and pillaging.

No mention was made in the despatches of the American residents. The American quarter lay in the hills just outside the town proper and hopes are high here that all Americans escaped.

The attacking Indians are believed to be part of a regiment organized and armed by the federal government during one of the recent revolutions. They have looted several villages in the last year but never before had attacked so large a town as San Marcial.

San Marcial was the center of the coal mining industry of Sonora. Much American capital is invested in that district.

JONATHAN BOURNE POINTS BENEFITS OF PARCEL POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—How American citizens will profit by the inauguration of the parcel post was set forth in an interview with the United Press here today by Senator Jonathan Bourne, junior, of Oregon, to whose efforts the passage of the law is largely due. He said:

"The parcels post adds 1,000,000 miles of new transportation facilities to the United States in its application to rural routes, the comfort of citizens will be increased and the cost of living to 20,000,000 people served by rural routes reduced.

"The ability of the farmer to send 11 pounds of farm products over his rural route for 15 cents should be an incentive for increased production. The parcels post affords a medium of transportation between producer and consumer at a less cost than the individuals themselves could furnish, and will result in mutual benefit to all the people within the scope of its activity."

LAST DEMAND MADERO SENT BY UNITED STATES

If American Citizens Are Not Now Protected Uncle Sam Will Take Necessary Steps Himself—News Purposely Allowed to Leak.

All American Settlements in Northern Mexico Have Been Wiped Out By Rebels and Bandits.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—One more warning will be given President Madero of Mexico to protect American life and property in his republic, and if this goes unheeded the United States will act.

This admission was made today by an official of the state department, who said the tenor of the ultimatum to be sent was purposely allowed to leak, so that Madero might realize the situation and take immediate action. It was emphatically stated also that the warning would be the last diplomatic demand for protection of American citizens in Mexico.

Taft Aroused
Both President Taft and Secretary of State Knox are thoroughly aroused over the investigation of the Smith senate committee, which showed that the rebels and bandits had practically wiped out all American settlements in northern Mexico. The investigation also showed that President Madero is virtually helpless. The government army is recruited from the prisons, it is declared, and these men will not fight if it can be avoided.

Before leaving for Panama President Taft ordered the ultimatum to be held up until his return. If conditions are not improved then the warning will be sent direct to Madero other Mexican officials being ignored in the exchange.

TWO VIOLATORS OF PAROLE NABBED BY LOCAL POLICE

Two parole violators, one from California and the other from Washington were picked up by Chief Hitt-Friday and lodged in the city jail. They will both be returned.

One of the men is George Towle wanted at San Quentin. He was sent up for burglary and recently paroled. The other is T. C. McDonald wanted at Walla Walla. He has been selling fire insurance in Medford. Both men will waive extradition.

HAY REFUSES PARDON TO C. W. WAPPENSTEIN

OLYMPIA, Wn., Dec. 21.—Governor Hay has today refused the application for pardon of Charles W. Wappenstein, who is in the penitentiary for accepting a bribe while chief of police of Seattle. He was sentenced for from three to ten years. The pardon application was signed by many prominent Seattle residents.

235 HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF BREAKING GAME LAWS

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 21.—A summary of State Game Warden Finley's report shows there were 235 convictions for game law violations last year, 87 acquittals, 35 cases not finished and 12 cases where offenders were not apprehended, making a total of 369 complaints filed.

In the year there were released in the state 6,044,546 trout, 1,300,000 bass, croppies and catfish, 900 Chinese pheasants, 200 Reeves' pheasants and silver and gold pheasants, and 15 elk were transported from Wyoming to Wallowa county.

Bronze Statuette Commercial Club's Agricultural Gift Ashland Proud Possessor of Handsome and Unique Prize

"The Plowman," an Artistic and Beautiful Work of the Sculptor Which the Portland Commercial Club Has Just Sent to Ashland Commercial Club; The Statuette Was Awarded for the Best Agricultural Display at the Land Products Show Recently Held. The Statuette Is the Work of Salesteo.



So many silver cups have been awarded since competitive, land and other shows first were held that to get away from the beaten path the Portland Commercial club instead of a cup or medal offered as special premium at the recent Pacific Northwest Land Products show held on the east side, a statuette. This statuette, "The Plowman," a beautiful creation of the sculptor's art, in bronze from the famous work of Salesteo, has been shipped to the Ashland Commercial club in recognition of the best agricultural display at the show.

Another, "The Forge," also in bronze, from the equally famous work of Salesteo, has been forwarded to the La Grande Commercial club as a trophy from the Portland organization because of the remarkably progressive spirit of the younger club. The La Grande club has just completed a building for its home, and last week gave a house warming, at which Manager C. C. Chapman of the promotion committee of the Portland Commercial club, was one of the speakers.

The statuette is massive and beautifully finished. The one that will add to the attractiveness of the Ashland club's headquarters is about two feet in length and about 18 inches high. "The Forge," which will adorn the La Grande club's rooms, stands about two feet in height.

—Courtesy Oregon Journal.

WAR ON PRICE OF EGGS IN EAST BENEFITS PACIFIC

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—All Pacific coast cities profited today by the fight being waged on the high price of eggs by clubmen of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Dispatches received here show that Chicago women sold more than 700,000 eggs yesterday at 24 cents a dozen as a warning to grocers and commission men. As a result of this fight, Chicago grocers were forced to lower their prices from 35 and 40 cents a dozen to the level offered by the women representing Chicago clubs. Even at that figure the women cleared 2 1-2 cents per dozen on their investment, and will use their profits for further campaigns for clean food and fair prices.

CHRISTMAS GREENS ARE SEEN IN CITY

Medford is beginning to take on a very festive Christmas appearance, a large quantity of mistletoe, holly, Oregon grape and fir boughs being brought into the city. There is no shortage in any line, southern Oregon hills producing bountiful crops of Christmas greens.

Formerly one had to go after their Christmas greens but now ranchers bring them in—especially homesteaders. Enterprising boys pick up considerable pocket money by selling trees. Orders have been taken during the past two weeks.

MILWAUKEE LINE LEASES, NOT TO BUILD

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—It is evident today that a new line of the Milwaukee system will not be built into this city as the result of recent negotiations with the O. W. R. and N. company, but the former will sign a lease with the latter for the use of its tracks between Portland and the Snake river. The Milwaukee road will build their line to that point.

By the new routing the Milwaukee road would be active competitors of the Hill system and would share with that system the business that the Southern Pacific cannot compete for here because of lack of traffic arrangements.

MURDERERS OF JEWELER ARE NOW UNDER ARREST

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Suspected of the sensational murder of J. P. Logue, the diamond merchant who was found dead in his office in the McVickers' theatre building in the heart of the city yesterday, four men and two women are in custody today, and the police believe that the most fiendish killing in the city's annals is near solution.

Clyde Stratton, ex-convict; Margaret Johnson, his alleged paramour; Edward Hampden and his wife, Frank Williams, alleged ex-convict, and Charles Duffy, a chauffeur, are the sextette accused of Logue's death. The police say the diamond merchant was tortured, burned by acid, stabbed, slashed, chloroformed and shot before a blow with a bludgeon crushed his skull and blotted out his life.

Description by Chance
Stratton's capture came first. By the merest chance, F. A. Carnal, former prosecuting attorney of Hill county, Montana, entered the McVickers building, shortly before the crime. In the lobby he saw two men standing, one of whom pulled down his cap so as to hide his features when he saw he was observed.

Immediately the news of the murder spread, Carnal hurried to police headquarters, and gave Captain Halpin a good description of his suspect. Then other persons told the police that two blonde women had been seen near the office of the dead jeweler, and within a few hours Stratton, Hampden and the two women, both blondes, were pulled in by the dragnet. The arrests of Williams and Duffy came later.

Capture Made
The first capture was made in the rooms which the Hampdens, Stratton and the Johnson woman occupied jointly in a fashionable apartment house. There the police found two suitcases, one filled with nitro-glycerine and dynamite, steel saws and a full burglar's outfit, and the other containing a black petticoat from which a long strip had been torn. The petticoat was of the same material as the black silk gag found in the mouth of the murdered jeweler.

Besides the burglar's outfit, the police discovered more than \$2,000 worth of loose diamonds in the flat. These, with a number of bloodstained business cards, are expected to be damning evidence when the sextette captured come to trial.

Revolver Fits
In the apartment the police also found a magazine revolver identical in calibre with that from which was fired the bullet which pierced Logue's shoulder. It had been recently discharged and reloaded.

BENTON BOWERS ASK REHEARING OF BRIDGE SUIT

Benton Bowers, et al, plaintiffs in the Medford bridge case decided adversely this week, will ask a rehearing of the case by the supreme court in the hope of securing a reversal, according to E. D. Briggs of Ashland, attorney for Bowers, who spent Friday in Medford. The action would delay the payment of the funds to the contractor, and while it may temporarily embarrass him, his attorney, P. J. Neff, is confident that the rehearing will not effect the decision as rendered, which decided every point raised against Bowers.

On the other hand, Mr. Bowers is liable, under his bond, for damages incurred to the contractor, county and city by the injunction and will probably face a damage suit by the contractor for the unnecessary delay and loss of money caused by the injunction.

The threat of application for rehearing is regarded by the appellants as a bluff by the respondents to secure a refund of costs in the case necessitated by the appeal.

UNIVERSITY BOYS MINSTREL SNOW

The annual Christmas party of the Rogue River Valley University club will be held at the club rooms this evening and a great time is expected. The boys have rehearsed carefully a minstrel show which is to form the principal part of the evening's entertainment and have a splendid show fixed up.

The annual Christmas tree has been loaded with gifts for members ranging from a popgun to a sewing machine.

All members of the club are requested by the house committee to attend.

HICKEY IS GUILTY IN SECOND DEGREE

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 21.—J. Frank Hickey, self-confessed slayer of seven-year-old Joseph Josephs of Lackawanna, a Buffalo suburb, was found guilty of second degree murder by a jury this afternoon.

PEACE ENVOYS FURTHER APART NOW THAN EVER

Turkish Delegates Demand Immediate Provisioning of Adrianople Which Is Refused by Allies—Adjourn Until Monday to Consult Governments

Premier Poincaré of France Sees General European War if Peace Negotiations Fail.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Balkan and Turkish plenipotentiaries are further apart than ever tonight. This much was learned from an authoritative source here today.

At today's session Osman Nizimi Pasha, the leader of the Sultan's delegates, demanded the re-provisioning of Adrianople, asserting this to be the only ground upon which negotiations could continue. The allies refused to comply with the demand, and the Turkish envoys replied that they must consult with the porte before proceeding with peace negotiations. Adjournment until Monday was then taken.

Hints at General War

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Hinting that a general European war might result in case of a rupture at the London peace negotiations, Premier Poincaré discussed the Balkan situation in the chamber of deputies today.

Poincaré said that in the result of negotiations being interrupted the powers could not afford to remain indifferent before a possible resumption of hostilities, which, more than ever, might provoke a conflagration involving all of Europe.

France has been assured by Austria, the premier declared, that she does not desire the acquisition of more territory or the destruction of the political or economic independence of Serbia.

The speech of Premier Poincaré was interpreted to mean that he thinks the powers should intervene if the Balkan peace delegates fail to agree on terms for the settlement of the war.

Stocks Buoyant

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Marked buoyancy of leading stocks in the market here today indicated that the outlook for peace in the Balkans is more hopeful, despite a report that the Turkish envoys would abruptly end the negotiations unless the Balkan plenipotentiaries granted a demand for the re-provisioning of Janina, Adrianople and Scutari.

The report that the Austro-Serbian dispute is practically settled as a result of the ambassadorial conferences also had its effect on these trading in the stock market.

King George received the envoys at noon today. They were presented to his majesty by Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister.

The peace negotiations were resumed at four o'clock.

Dispatches received here today from Belgrade say that Serbia is willing to accept the agreement reached at the ambassadorial conference regarding its dispute with Austria over an Albanian port on the Adriatic sea.

WANT FREE TOLLS OREGON LOCKS

SALEM, Or., Dec. 21.—Because the settlement of the purchase of the Willamette river locks at Oregon City has long hung fire, at a great expense to the state, Governor West today plans to have the legislature declare all negotiations for the sale of the locks to the state off and establish free tolls because of the inability of the Portland Railway, Light and Power company to prove its title to the property. The state has already appropriated \$200,000 toward the purchase of the locks, and planned to appropriate the other \$100,000 necessary at the current session.

SEYMOUR AND SPANOS TO DIE ON FEBRUARY 14

Judge Calkins Breaks Down While Passing Sentence, Overcome by His Emotions—Spanos Says He Hopes Guilty Parties Will Confess.

Seymour Makes No Statement to Court—Will Be Taken to Salem in Near Future.

Unless Governor West intervenes Frank Seymour and Mike Spanos convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of George Dedakalous in this city in September, will die on February 14, which date was fixed by Circuit Judge Calkins shortly after noon today in the circuit court. The two murderers heard the sentence of death unflinchingly, but Judge Calkins in passing sentence broke down and was very much affected, being forced to pause several times.

Mike Spanos was the first to be sentenced, when asked whether he had anything to say why sentence should not be imposed he stated that he hoped the men who had committed the murder would come forward and confess as he was innocent.

The sentencing of Seymour followed immediately afterwards. He also was asked if he had anything to say but did not answer other than to shake his head.

Following the passing of sentence the two were returned to the county jail. They will be taken to the state penitentiary at once. Alex Norris and Jeff Brophy will probably take them to Salem.

It is understood that R. B. McCabe for Seymour will attempt to appeal the case seeking a new trial. The action of attorneys for Spanos is not known.

Today was the second time Judge Calkins has imposed the death sentence. He sentenced Mike Morgan who was executed December 13.

Philip Doyle and Frank Martin convicted of larceny were given an indeterminate sentence of from one to seven years.

BRITISH CRUISER ON WAY BEARING REMAINS OF REID

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The British cruiser Natal, carrying the body of the late Whitelaw Reid, American ambassador to Great Britain, sailed from Portsmouth at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon for New York. As the cruiser steamed out to sea all British and American flags were lowered to half mast, while the guns of the other warships in the harbor boomed a naval salute.

The casket, draped with the stars and stripes, was removed from Dorchester House at 10 o'clock and placed on a caisson drawn by six horses. Thousands of Englishmen and Americans, with bare heads, stood silent as the cortege moved through the streets of London to the Victoria station. A military escort was provided by the British authorities. As the procession passed St. James park a military salute was fired.

EUSTIS TO ARRANGE WILSON INAUGURAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee announced today the appointment of William Corscoran Eustis as chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements for the inauguration March 4 of President-elect Woodrow Wilson.