

RESIGNATION AMBASSADOR WILSON FILED

Friend of Huerta Retires on Account of Disagreement With Administration's Policy in Mexico—Resignation Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Secretary of State Bryan announced this afternoon that he had accepted the resignation of Henry Lane Wilson, United States ambassador to Mexico.

No statement was issued as to the exact cause of Ambassador Wilson's practical dismissal, but there is no doubt it was due to his almost open antipathy to the government's course in Mexico, to his close relations with Huerta and to the hand he is believed to have played during the days when the forces of Huerta and Diaz assassinated President Madero.

Later Ambassador Wilson said: "I have no information regarding the president's proposed plan for the solution of the troubles in Mexico, but I am sure that he and Secretary Bryan are actuated by the best and most patriotic motives and have in view only what they deem best for both countries."

The ambassador insisted that his recommendations represent the view of 98 per cent of American and foreign population of Mexico and the entire diplomatic corps there. He said he hoped the president's plan would be successful in solving the problem.

BRITO BLAMES WILSON FOR ARREST

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 4.—Flat charges that Henry Lane Wilson, American ambassador to Mexico City, is back of the order issued by Attorney General McReynolds for his arrest, were voiced here today by General Emanuel Brito, former Mexican rebel leader, and former governor of the state of Campeche, Mexico.

"Wilson," said General Brito, "is the right-hand man of Provisional President Huerta of Mexico, and he is responsible for my troubles. He engineered my arrest on an absurd charge of murder, something Huerta was unable to accomplish when I was on British soil."

"I admit killing Captain Bonilla, but I acted in my official capacity as a rebel leader. Bonilla's sword was drawn to attack me. It was war—not murder. I felt safe in America, but I did not count on Ambassador Wilson's activities."

WEST DENOUNCES GOOS BAY RIOTERS

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 4.—In a statement Governor West denounces the conduct of those connected with the I. W. W. agitation at Marshfield, denounces the deportation of Dr. Leach from Bandon, the mob rule and the inactivity of the sheriff and other officials, and states he will direct the attorney general to present the entire matter to the court so the law violators whether they are I. W. W.'s or Dr. Leach, or those in the mob, or the officials who failed to suppress the mob, may be punished.

MIDDLE WEST DROUTH BOOMS CORN PRICE

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—The continued drouth in the middle west today caused additional advances in the price of corn. The September option passed 70 cents and December touched 67 1/2.

Speculators estimate that the corn crop has been damaged 250,000,000 bushels, perhaps more.

INTERVENTION NOT FAVORED BY PRESIDENT

President to Issue Statement Ending Irresponsible Stories of Armed Interference—Mediation to Probably Be Offered—Public to Know All.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—To end irresponsible stories that armed intervention in Mexico impends, President Wilson is prepared today to take the public into his confidence.

After the president conferred with Secretary Bryan today it was made known in administration circles that the chief executive considers intervention in Mexico not only most improbable but as scarcely even remotely possible.

According to every account reaching the white house the Mexican situation is clearing, and the president thinks the time has arrived when he can tell some of his plans to restore peace. His entire plan has considered and provided for a comprehensive suggestion of mediation, further first-hand investigation as to the causes behind the revolutions in Mexico, and, possibly as a final resort, removal of the prohibition against supplying with arms the Constitutionalists of the north.

How far the president is prepared to go along this line was not indicated because between now and the issuance of his statement something might arise to cause its modification. It was made plain when the president talked to the newspaper correspondents this morning that he expects the co-operation of both the house and the senate foreign committees.

Both chairman Bacon of the senate committee and Flood of the house committee have been in close touch with the president.

The plan to hear the Constitutionalists' side of the Mexican trouble, especially a proposed audience for Colonel Eduardo Hay head of the rebel junta, was decided upon only after Senator Bacon had asked the president's advice.

President Wilson and Secretary Bryan at this morning's conference formally approved the presidential Mexican peace plan, which probably will be outlined sometime this afternoon. They also discussed the status of Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson, who waited in the outer office. He did not see the president but had an appointment with Secretary Bryan, tendered his resignation, which was accepted.

CATCH 183,779 POUNDS CHINOOK IN JOSEPHINE

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Aug. 4.—The season for commercial fishing in the upper Rogue river closed at midnight Thursday and will remain closed till June 7, 1914, only two months being allowed in the Grants Pass district.

During the season just closed a total of 183,789 pounds of chinook salmon was caught and shipped through the Rogue River Fishermen's union, as high as 25 boats being operated by union fishermen during the period. The average price received for the catch was 8 cents, the returns for the two months being \$15,000.

Only fifteen miles of the upper Rogue was open to commercial fishing, the open water commencing a mile below the steel bridge in Grants Pass and continuing to the mouth of Jump-Off-Joe creek. Drift nets of 8 1/2-inch mesh only were allowed.

ATTEMPT TO SHOOT OMAHA POLICE CHIEF

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 4.—Two bullets were fired today by an unknown person at Chief of Detectives Stephen Maloney as he sat at work in his office here. Both shots missed their mark. The shooting came from behind a box car. The would-be assassin

WATSON GRILLS SENATORS FOR LOBBY PROBE

Indianian Refuses to Appear Before Committee Which He Stingingly Condemns and Brands Mulhall as Perjurer—Makes no Defense.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Stinging condemnation of the senate lobby investigating committee was voiced here today by former Congressman James Watson of Indiana, in a letter withdrawing his request to appear before the probers.

"I have decided to take my case to another tribunal, where the law will be impartially weighed," wrote Watson.

Watson did not appear at today's hearing, but in his letter bitterly denounced statements summing up the lobby testimony which appeared in a New York newspaper Saturday signed by Senators Overman, Reed and Walsh.

"These statements plainly show," wrote Watson, "that a majority of the committee, without waiting to formally report, voluntarily rush into print and render a decision and pronounce judgment before a single defense witness has been heard or a syllable of testimony in rebuttal offered."

"I submit that you have prejudiced my evidence. You have passed on its character and sufficiency without having heard it, for while you do not specifically mention a name, yet you have privately determined and publicly announced that Mulhall has made out his case."

"I have no connections with the National Association of Manufacturers, but these statements make it clear that even if I prove Mulhall a perjurer the case will not be helped. Therefore, senators, in my judgment, it would be merely a farce for me to appear before the committee, for no matter what evidence is given, you have so strongly foreshadowed your report and so unerringly forecasted your decision that I could not hope to change either or make any impression whatever on your minds."

Senator Townsend of Michigan appeared before the committee today at his own request and branded Mulhall as a "liar and corruptionist."

DIGGS PLANS TO DEFEND SELF BY BLACKENING GIRL

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 4.—According to the predictions of the attorneys on both sides, politics will play little part, as far as the jury is concerned, in the trial of the Diggis-Caminetti white slave cases, the first of which, that against Maury I. Diggis charged with violation of the Mann act in taking Marsha Warrington, 20, from Sacramento to Reno, will begin before United States Judge Van Fleet here tomorrow.

The Diggis case is to be tried first because it is declared by Special Prosecutors Matt I. Sullivan and Theodore Roche to be the stronger, Diggis being alleged to have financed the elopement of Miss Warrington and himself, Drew Caminetti and Lola Norris to a bungalow near Reno, where they were arrested.

Diggis will be defended by Attorneys Robert T. Devlin and Marshall B. Woodworth, both former United States district attorneys; Nate Coglian and S. Luke How.

Roche was in conference today with Miss Warrington and Miss Norris, both of whom were by him declared to be willing witnesses against the two men. Diggis and Caminetti are also in San Francisco, but remain in close seclusion.

The defense, it is believed, will rest largely on an attack upon the character of the two girls, although under the Mann act such testimony would be absolutely immaterial.

AMBASSADOR WILSON OUSTED FOR COURSE PURSUED IN MEXICO



SENATE TO HEAR REBELS' SIDE OF MEXICAN MIXUP

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The rebel side of the disturbance in Mexico and an answer to Ambassador Wilson's plea for American recognition of the administration of Provisional President Huerta will be given before the senate foreign relations committee here next Wednesday by Colonel Eduardo Hay, chief of staff of the constitutionalist junta here.

Colonel Hay will urge the United States, promising if this is done that the rebel army will depose Huerta and restore order in Mexico within six weeks.

Many of the committeemen are known to look with favor on this plan, but it is doubtful if the administration will permit such action.

CALUMET STRIKERS TO REQUEST HELP

CALUMET, Mich., Aug. 4.—A call for an immediate conference of the heads of all unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor with the view of requesting moral and financial support for the copper strikers was issued today by officials here of the Western Federation of Miners.

This indicates that the strike is to be a long-drawn-out affair and that the miners are preparing for a finish fight.

It was comparatively quiet throughout last night and today. Guards at the Red Jacket mine fired at three foreigners who refused to move on when ordered, one of the foreigners being slightly wounded.

VIOLENT DEATHS SHOCK VILLAGE

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 4.—Two violent deaths, one an accidental shooting, the other a suicide and the discovery of a second suicide, transformed the Sabbath quiet of Lincoln creek, a village eight miles west of this city, into a day of excitement.

Al Knapp, aged 18, was shot and instantly killed while playing with Joseph Malmerich. The boys were on a hunting trip and it is said began shooting toward each other to see how far away either could get and still hear the sound of the shot. A bullet struck the Knapp boy in the neck and killed him.

EXPRESS RATES ORDERED CUT 10-60 PERCENT

Inter-State Commerce Commission Orders Sweeping Reductions in Prevailing Rates—New Rates Cheaper Than Parcel Post.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Following the lead of the state railroad commission of California in the Wells Fargo Express company decision, the interstate commerce commission ordered today sweeping reductions in express rates for parcels all over the country. The cut will range from 10 to 60 per cent and will become effective October 15.

In a statement the commission declared that for two years the rates will be "experimental," when, unless the companies lose too much, they will become permanent.

When a proposal was first made to reduce express rates all the companies vigorously opposed it, and in June, 1912, the proposed rates were suspended, pending an investigation. Today they were ordered into effect, following admissions by the companies that the cut, which they originally claimed would reduce their revenues thirty per cent, really would cut them only 15 per cent.

Parcel Post Competitor Today's order will foreclose competition between the express companies and the parcel post. In many instances the new express rates will be lower than the postal rates. Practically all rates on parcels under fifty pounds in weight are radically lowered. On small packages carried more than 200 and less than 3000 miles the rates will be nearly all lower than the parcel post rates. For distances over 3000 miles the express and parcel post rates will be about equal. The order reduces the rates on all articles of food and drink to 75 per cent of first-class rates. It says in part:

VIOLATIONS BY SALOONS MEANS LICENSE LOSS

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 4.—Attorney E. R. Ringo, special prosecutor appointed by Governor West, announced today that there is to be no leniency shown saloonkeepers hereafter convicted of violating the laws.

"Hereafter, when a saloonkeeper is convicted we intend to follow it up by bringing suits to have his license forfeited and to collect on his \$1000 bond," said Attorney Ringo.

"We have not done this in the past, but future offenders may take warning."

This week Ringo secured the conviction of two druggists in Silverton for bootlegging, and three saloonmen in Mount Angel pleaded guilty to selling liquor to minors and each paid \$100 fine.

DIAZ GIVES SLIP TO FRISCO REPORTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 4.—Newspaper men were given the slip here today by General Felix Diaz, who left his hotel at an early hour this morning on an automobile trip. He left no word at the hotel regarding his destination or when he would return. It is believed he is making a tour of the bay cities. Diaz arrived here Sunday morning from Los Angeles, en route for Vancouver, B. C., whence he will sail for Japan.

BRYAN CANCELS KANSAS LECTURES

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 4.—The management of the Chautauqua circuit was notified that Secretary of State Bryan will be unable to keep an engagement to deliver a lecture here tomorrow evening because of pressing official business in Washington. Other engagements in Kansas also have been cancelled.

FOUR KILLED IN HOP FIELD RIOT AT WHEATLAND

Attempt to Arrest Strike Hop-pickers Leaders Ends in Free for All Fight—District Attorney of Yuba Among Slain—Militia in Control.

WHEATLAND, Cal., Aug. 4.—Four men, including District Attorney J. T. Maxwell of Yuba county, are dead here today; four more are seriously injured; scores are nursing broken heads; 2000 hop pickers, sullen and idle, have left their work, and six companies of the California militia are patrolling the streets of Wheatland as the result of a pitched battle between ten officers and two hundred and fifty workers, on the great Durst ranch here late yesterday afternoon.

Militia in Control Back and forth between the squabbling tents of the workers the uniformed soldiers are marching, while county officers are trying to place responsibility for the death of two public officers and two hoppickers who fell, riddled by bullets, on a rude dance platform in the midst of hoppickers' camp.

That more were not killed or wounded is considered miraculous. Firing was general and bullets flew everywhere. Scores were injured in a rush to leave the place and heads were battered on all sides.

Protest Meeting Called A protest meeting was called Sunday by the hoppickers employed on the Durst brothers' ranch. The meeting was called by a committee composed of representatives of seven ranches employed in the hop fields. Articles of agreement, containing seven grievances, were drawn up and presented to R. H. Durst, Epitomized, they follow:

A price of \$1.25 per hundred pounds for picking hops instead of the ninety cent rate, better sanitary conditions, drinking water in the fields, fresh twice daily, more toilet room with separate lavatories for women and other minor improvements for the welfare of the workers.

Riot Follows Arrest The trouble was precipitated by an attempt to arrest some of the strikers. Guns, knives and clubs were used promiscuously. One of the first shots fired struck District Attorney Maxwell and he fell, mortally wounded. A mad stampede followed, and after some semblance of order had been restored it was found that Reardon, Voss Bradshaw and Anderson were lying on the ground.

Telephone messages were at once sent to Marysville, near the scene of the riot, and the coroner hurried to Wheatland with additional deputies. The dead and injured were removed to Marysville, and Superior Judge McDaniels appealed to Governor Johnson for troops.

PEACE IN SIGHT AMONG BALKANS

BUCHAREST, Aug. 4.—Peace in the Balkans is believed to be in sight today as a result of representatives here of Bulgaria, Greece, Serbia and Montenegro signing an agreement to extend the present armistice three days. It is expected the representatives will agree on terms of peace within this time.

DULLNESS MARKS OPENING OF MARKET

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Dullness characterized the opening of the stock market today, most of the active leaders showing anything but a tendency to rise. B. & O., Erie, Reading and Norfolk and Western were firm. Steel, Amalgamated and Copper eased off. Virginia, Carolina Chemical rose 3/4 and cotton oil 1.

Bonds were steady. The market closed strong.

ROAD BONDS TO MATURE IN FIVE YEAR PERIODS

Petition in Circulation Calls for \$500,000 Five Per Cent Bonds to Mature Every Five Years After First Ten Years.

Petitions having the approval of the county court, calling for a road bond election are now in circulation. They call for the issuance of \$500,000 bonds bearing interest at five per cent, and were drawn to meet objections of the court to the former petition, which asked for \$700,000 thirty year bonds, and provides for the retirement of \$100,000 in ten years and a similar amount every five years thereafter.

"This retirement provision will enable the county to find a ready purchaser for the bonds," state Judge Tou Velle, "as this is the class of bond sought by insurance companies. If the bonds carry, it will mean the expenditure of \$500,000 of new money among our own people and give Jackson county the first paved highway in Oregon, materially conveniencing and benefitting the entire county, and place it in the lead of highway construction in the northwest, as well as make it the mecca of all auto tourists on the coast."

The petition reads as follows: "We the undersigned registered voters of Jackson county, Oregon, respectfully petition,

That you call a special election for purpose of submitting to the voters of Jackson county, Oregon, the question of issuing bonds to provide for the construction of permanent roads in said county, the amount of said bonds to be the sum of \$500,000 and the time for which they are to run to be respectively as follows:

- \$100,000 to mature ten years from the date thereof.
\$100,000 to mature 15 years from the date thereof.
\$100,000 to mature 20 years from the date thereof.
\$100,000 to mature 25 years from the date thereof.
\$100,000 to mature 30 years from the date thereof.

"The bonds aforesaid to bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum.

BRITISH NAVAL IMPROVEMENTS FAIL TO EXCITE WILSON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—There is no excitement evident in administration circles here today over Great Britain's reported intention to improve its naval base at Bermuda. In talking to newspaper correspondents the president indicated he did not believe there is any chance of connecting the improvement of that or any violation of the Monroe doctrine or that it would in any way affect the Panama canal.

At the executive offices the report that the president has closed the doors of the white house to those democrats who oppose the currency bill was declared baseless, as is also a report that the president will take the stump for that measure. He expects quick action of both the tariff and the currency bills in both houses of congress.

The White House also accepts the explanation that Great Britain and Germany will not participate in the San Francisco exposition from motives of economy. The administration, however, will urge reconsideration upon both countries.

FEDERAL PROBE OF CALUMET STRIKE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Secretary of Labor Wilson today detailed Walter Palmer, of the bureau of labor statistics to go to Michigan and assist in settling the copper mining strike in that state.