

# STATE HEAD AT CEREMONY FOR HIGHWAY START

Sam Hill, Father of Good Roads Movement, Turns First Shovelful of Earth in Road Over Siskiyou Mountains.

Governor West, County Officials and 100 Prominent Citizens Present—Hill Pays Tribute.

In the presence of Governor West and a hundred prominent citizens of Jackson county, the first shovelful of earth in the construction of the Pacific highway in Oregon was turned this afternoon by Samuel Hill, father of the good roads movement in the northwest. The ceremony marked the beginning of work on the \$107,000 grading contract let last week for the new road over the Siskiyou mountains, a highway twenty-four feet in width with six per cent maximum grade, that will be hard surfaced sixteen feet in width. The survey traverses the skyline of the Siskiyou and the highway will be one of the scenic boulevards of the world.

"Oregon," said Mr. Hill, "is in the best shape of any of the states for good road construction. Oregon begins where the other states have left off, and has the advantage of all their experience. Today marks the beginning of permanent highway construction in the state. Jackson county points the way and leads Oregon and its example will be rapidly followed by all."

Short speeches were made by Governor West, the count court and representatives of the various commercial clubs. Preceding the ceremony, an elaborate luncheon was served by the Ashland Commercial club at the Hotel Oregon.

Superintendent Lawson of the state penitentiary is preparing to establish a large convict stockade and camp to work prisoners on an extensive rock cut. The camp will be established after the first of the year and is not an "honor" camp. This portion of work was not included in the Kessell & McDowell contract.

Messrs. Hill and Bowley arrived on the Shasta Limited Friday morning. Governor West, Secretary of State Oloft and Superintendent Lawson came on the morning train. At 11 o'clock, accompanied by some thirty Medford citizens, the visitors were taken to Ashland, and after luncheon to where work begins on the new line.

# CURRENCY CAUCUS PROGRESSES RAPIDLY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The currency caucus progressed rapidly today. It was expected that the caucus bill would be completed by tomorrow night and the debate on the measure start Monday.

It was believed here that every democratic member of the senate except Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska would support the caucus bill to final passage, although several other democrats may support the republicans on certain amendments. The sentiment of the caucus, it was declared today, is overwhelmingly against providing more than twelve regional banks.

# AVIATOR CAIRO-PARIS FLIGHT MEETS DEATH

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Word that Aviator D'Arcourt, who was trying to fly from here to Cairo, had tumbled with his aeroplane and a passenger into the Taurus mountains and that D'Arcourt and his companion were unhurt, but that the machine was wrecked, compelling the abandonment of the flight, was received here this afternoon.

# LEADS NOT GUILTY TO EXTORTION CHARGE



EVERETT P. FOWLER

Everett P. Fowler, of Kingston, N. Y., appeared in court to plead not guilty to the indictment charging extortion, found against him in connection with the collection of campaign funds from a State highways contractor for the democratic managers in 1911. Mr. Fowler did not offer to aid District Attorney Whitman in his investigation of alleged grafting of political funds from contractors. He made no statement to any one but submitted to arrest.

# CALLS HANGING OF WOMAN A RETURN TO CAVE DAYS

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—"It would be a return to barbarism to hang Bessie Wakefield," said Mrs. James Laidlaw, society leader, philanthropist and criminologist, commenting today on the case of the woman under sentence of death in Connecticut for the murder of her husband.

"Eliminating sentimentalism and manliness," she continued, "it would be a detriment to the public to have Connecticut insist on the law of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."

"Furthermore, the return to barbarism would be just as atrocious if the state should hang James Plew, her alleged accomplice. I do not believe there should be any difference between the punishment meted out to Plew and to Mrs. Wakefield."

"Because Bessie Wakefield is a woman makes no difference. Women should be men's equal in all things under the law."

"I venture to assert that a consensus of the nation would be found overwhelmingly in favor of abolishing capital punishment. It has not been abolished purely on account of inertia."

# FRISCO PLANS WAR ON QUACK DOCTORS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—Extermination of medical quacks is planned here today by the state board of medical examiners, which has started arranging a mass of evidence to be presented to the grand jury here next week. The crusade is in charge of Dr. Charles B. Hamn, secretary of the board, and Louis H. Ward.

Two arrests resulted today from the board's activities. S. L. Higgins was arrested on the charge of having masqueraded as Dr. M. S. Chenoweth, and W. S. Card was taken into custody on a charge of offering A. G. McDonnell, investigator for the board, a \$25 monthly bribe for protection.

# 300 PLUMS FROM WILSON DOUBTFUL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Senate leaders declared this afternoon that unless the senate goes into executive session before Monday, 300 of President Wilson's nominations will fail of confirmation with the close of the extra session. The nomination of Henry M. Pindell of Peoria, Ill., to be ambassador to Russia is included in this number.

# COURT HOLDS NOVEMBER 'DRY' ELECTIONS VOID

Salem Saloon Interests Brought Suit Decision Statewide in Scope—Supreme Court Sustains Ruling—Affects Eagle Point.

Interpretation Based on Law That Local Option Can Only Be Voted Upon at General Election.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 28.—Every local option election held in the state on November 4, except in towns in which that date was the day of a regular city election, is void, according to a decision rendered today, Judge William Galloway of the Marion county circuit court in the suit brought by John Stillman, representing the saloon interests of Salem, to restrain the county court from issuing an order declaring Salem to be dry territory as the result of the election held on that date.

Judge Galloway based his decision on an interpretation of the law that a local option election cannot be held except at the time of a general state election or a general city election, if such election comes on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Judge Galloway gave the dry element ten days in which to file an answer or take an appeal from his decision.

The decision is statewide in its scope, because if the supreme court sustains Judge Galloway it would mean that the victories of the drys in a half dozen or more cities will be void.

The decision affects Eagle Point, in this county, that went wet 66 to 62.

# WALL STREET STOCKS LIGHT, IRREGULAR

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Early trading in stocks was light and price changes irregular. As a whole railroad shares were fairly strong, but industrials were weak. Union Pacific rose 1; Rumley and Amalgamated each lost 1/4, and Mexican Petroleum dropped 1/2. Later in the session prices fell back after making some headway upward. Bonds were steady. The market closed dull.

# BARKDULL NICKED AGAIN BY WOLGAST

Mose Barkdull discovered this morning that he had stopped another one of Ad Wolgast, ex-lightweight champion, financial swings. Mose bought a 1914 Buick with one of the checks Wolgast gave him on the Heath ranch purchase. The check was stopped by Wolgast—per custon.

# ELKS ANNUAL STAG PARTY ON TONIGHT

The Elks will hold their annual stag party at their lodge rooms this evening. A social time will be the order. Speeches by prominent Elks, vaudeville, music and story telling will occupy the time. Refreshments will be served. Each Elk is allowed to invite two, and a large attendance will result.

**Cult Leader Convicted**  
CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—Ottoman Zar-Adusht-Hanish, leader of the sun worshippers' cult, was convicted this afternoon by a jury in the United States court of sending obscene literature by express. The jury was out two hours.



JUST A POLITE INVITATION.

MOVE ON.

# MILITARY COURT NAMED TO TRY COLORADO CASES

TRINIDAD, Colo., Nov. 28.—General Chase, commanding the state troops in the Southern Colorado coal fields, today appointed a military court martial to try strike cases.

Whether the tribunal would try prisoners or only examine witnesses was not announced. In either case, it was feared General Chase's action, by antagonizing the miners, will prejudice the attempt. Federal Secretary of Labor Wilson is making to settle the strike.

There were a number of military prisoners here and at Walsenburg today, including the men accused of complicity in the killing in Trinidad, of Chief Belcher of the Corps of Mine Guards and four guards at La Veta.

# LONE MEX OUTLAW STANDS OFF 100

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Nov. 28.—Unless they can catch him asleep, leaders of the 100-odd men who have Ralph Lopez, alleged quadruple murderer, run to earth in the tunnel of the Minnie mine, near Bingham, admitted today that all they could do would be to starve him out.

Lopez, it was charged, killed a countryman of his own at Bingham, wiped out a posse of three which was pursuing him, dodged several other posses and finally found refuge in the tunnel, where, with a high-power rifle, ample ammunition and provisions for several days, he resisted capture.

Volunteers to enter the tunnel after him were hard to find.

# WESTERN FUEL TO PRODUCE ITS BOOKS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—That the Western Fuel company officials will produce the books of the concern before the federal grand jury here this afternoon was the belief today of Matt I. Sullivan, special United States prosecutor. Intimations have been given, Sullivan asserted, that there would be no further trouble about the books.

If the books are produced, it is certain that the contempt proceedings will be dropped.

# HUERTA GENERAL'S WIFE TORTURED BY ZAPATESTAS

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 28.—Government troops were making frantic efforts today to rescue a prominent federal army officer's wife, caught by Zapatista rebels south of here and a victim, according to dozens of insubordinate messages from her captors, of indescribable excesses at their hands.

"We are heaping indignities upon her," has been the substance of the messages, and, defiantly, "come and get her."

General Gamboa, commanding a federal force, attacking a band of the guerrillas 100 miles south of the capital was reported today to have been fatally wounded.

It was announced by the government that American cotton will soon be admitted duty free, so that the cotton mills may be kept running. The supply has been cut off from the Mexican cotton district of Torreon, where the rebels are in control.

The shortage of food and fuel was becoming alarming and even the slender supplies on hand were bringing such prices that only the rich could have fires and the poor were down to a scant one meal a day. An actual famine, from which even the rich would suffer, seemed imminent.

There were 50 cases of typhoid reported in the city and there probably were many more of which the authorities did not know.

The government got all the satisfaction it could out of the news of the federal defeat of 400 rebels in Tlaxcal. The rebels were said to have been driven first out of San Darian Texolec, followed to San Andres Cuampilpa and routed there with a loss of 50 or 60.

# PRESIDENT ZELAYA PRISONER IN TOMBS

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Ex-President Joe Santos Zelaya of Nicaragua was chafing today in the Tombs, where United States Commissioner Shields committed him without bail yesterday pending the outcome of the extradition proceedings under which his return to Nicaragua is sought to answer murder charges.

It was expected his counsel would make a hard fight at his examination Monday to secure his release, on the ground that if an offender at all, his offenses were political and not criminal.

# CRAIG MURDER TRIAL UNDERWAY AT INDIANAPOLIS

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Nov. 28.—The trial of Dr. Wm. B. Craig, head of the Indian Veterinary college, charged with murdering Dr. Helen Knabe, a well known woman physician in Indianapolis and former state pathologist, began here today. It was expected that a jury would be empaneled by Monday.

Dr. Knabe, an Austrian by birth, came to America at the age of 20 and had been here about 25 years when killed. She was much interested in physical culture and attracted much attention for her perfection of form. She was found dead in her apartment about two years ago with her throat cut.

The prosecution maintains that Craig had been engaged to her, that the engagement had been broken off just before the murder, and that less than an hour later Craig was seen in the vicinity.

Several weird theories have been advanced concerning the character of the defense he would make, but the probabilities seemed to be that he would offer evidence to show Dr. Knabe was desperately embarrassed financially; that she committed suicide, and that her friends removed all evidences of the fact that she died by her own hand before notifying the police.

The case was brought here on a change of venue from Indianapolis.

# CALIFORNIA RAILROADS SHUT OUT STEAMERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Illegal combination of California terminal railroads to shut the steamers Yale and Harvard of the Pacific Navigation company out of San Pedro and San Diego business from San Francisco in favor of competing lines, was alleged today in a complaint registered with the interstate commerce commission. The complaint declared the Pacific Navigation company maintained a first-class service but that the railroads had arranged to shift their passengers to the Pacific Coast Steamship company and the Portland Steamship company as the result of a rate agreement.

**Filipino Dignitary at Rome**  
ROME, Nov. 28.—Bishop Dennis Dougherty of the Philippine Islands was received in private audience here today by Pope Pius.

# RUSH AMERICAN SHIPS MEXICO; ENGLAND BACKS

Mediterranean Fleet Given Orders to Report at Once East Coast—Concentrate Naval Power at Ports—Situation Changes.

Great Britain Waives All Rights in Southern Waters in Favor of the United States.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The navy department today ordered the battleships Kansas, Connecticut and Ohio, the Atlantic division, from the Mediterranean to Mexican waters at once.

It was said they were going only to relieve the second division at Vera Cruz, but this was said also when the third division went, and yet both divisions stayed. Satisfaction was expressed in administration circles at England's decision to waive its naval rights in Mexican waters in favor of the United States. It was also evident that Lord High Chancellor Haldane of England had won officialdom's regard by a speech commending President Wilson's interpretation of the Monroe doctrine.

That England had waived its naval rights in Mexican waters to the United States, as it was announced had been done, following President Wilson's conference with Sir Wm. Tyrrel, was evidently a cause of much gratification here, though it was said that the action was in line with the policy the English government has been following lately.

Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock, who would command whatever warships England might send to the Mexican east coast, rank Rear-Admiral Fletcher, speaking internationally, and but for England's action, the situation might have resulted in embarrassments and complications.

So far as could be learned at the navy and state departments, no further news had been received today concerning the case of J. F. Woodyard, r., the American at Vera Cruz, who went on board the battleship Michigan after being warned that the Mexican authorities had issued a warrant for him charging him with having aided the escape of Daniel and Evaristo Madero. It was presumed he would be returned to the United States as soon as possible.

# RELEASE ZELAYA ON HABEAS CORPUS

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Ex-President Zelaya of Nicaragua, arrested Wednesday night on an extradition warrant charging him with murder in his native country, today was ordered released under a habeas corpus proceeding begun by his counsel before Judge Holt in the federal district court. The writ was made returnable at 2 p. m. Monday, the same day set for Zelaya's hearing before United States Commissioner Shields in the extradition proceedings.

In the application for the writ Zelaya denied that he was guilty of murder or of any extraditable offense.

# SAYRE AND BRIDE AT WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The White House refused to admit today that Francis B. Sayre and his bride, formerly Miss Jessie Wilson, were there. Requests for the plans of the couple also were ignored.

Intimate friends of the Wilson family, however, said the couple would accompany President Wilson to New York and would sail tomorrow for Europe.

White House servants were busy today packing the wedding gifts. Many were sent to Williamstown and others were stored.