

## SMUGGLING ARMS REGULAR BUSINESS MEXICAN BORDER

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 15.—When the public reads a brief dispatch from Washington to the effect that the administration has forbidden the shipment of arms and ammunition to both Mexican federalists and rebels, it takes it for granted that the shipments cease forthwith. But they do not. For this reason, the troops, guards and inspectors along the Rio Grande have many thrilling experiences that the public never hears of. Both sides in Mexico are continually trying to smuggle munitions of war over the line. Sometimes they succeed, but thanks to ever-watchful eyes, more often they do not.

Smuggling has become an art. Few realize what ingenious methods and carefully concealed plans are used to frustrate guards along the line. The keenness of a Sherlock Holmes would be taxed and tried. The United States officials at the border daily learn of some new piece of strategy by which smugglers try to thwart them and carry across the river arms without discovery. Some of these discoveries are oddly mixed with comedy and tragedy.

Not long ago an innocent-looking trunk was sent through El Paso to "Mary Smith" at Chihuahua. It was a plain-looking little trunk and looked as if it might belong to some plain country girl. But the officials were suspicious and decided to see what "Mary" was carrying in the weather-beaten trunk. On top were some plain dresses. The officials felt rather ashamed for breaking into Mary's trunk. The dresses were lifted, disclosing a score of ammunition boxes, all filled with cartridges. What would Mary want with so many deadly cartridges? She might get hurt. So the officials appropriated the ammunition and doubtless "Mary" has been wondering what became of her belongings.

## SOUTHERN PACIFIC SAFEST OF RAILWAYS

In competition with all the steam railways of the United States, the Southern Pacific company has been awarded the Harriman memorial safety medal founded by Mrs. Mary Averill Harriman, widow of the late railroad builder, for the best record in accident prevention and hygiene affecting the public and its personnel during the current year 1913. The award was made by the American Museum of Safety, under the auspices of which the competition was conducted.

The record of the Southern Pacific's achievements and efforts involving safety, industrial hygiene and other correlative conditions during the year was submitted by R. J. Clancy, assistant to the general manager. It showed that during the fiscal year 1913 on the Pacific system of the railroad, 1,373,815,327 passengers were carried a distance of one mile without the loss of a single passenger from train accident, continuing the Pacific system's record for safety in continuity from the year 1908, involving the movement of 8,000,000,000 revenue passengers a distance of one mile without one passenger fatality as a result of train accident.

## THOUSAND UNEMPLOYED AT PORTLAND MEETING

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—The need of providing employment for men out of work is brought home vividly to the city officials today as the result of a meeting of nearly a thousand unemployed here, yesterday, followed by a parade through the business district. The keynote of the various speakers was "We do not want charity, but an opportunity to be self-supporting."

The meeting was attended by State Senator McColloch, as a representative of Governor West, who was convinced that the men actually desired work.

## MICHIGAN TO MEET HARVARD NEXT YEAR

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 15.—Fred Moore, graduate manager of athletics of Harvard, stated today that a tentative agreement had been reached whereby a football game would be played here October 31 next between Harvard and the University of Michigan.

## CARRANZA PUTS CHECK ON VILLA'S LAWLESSNESS

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 15.—That General Carranza realizes the trouble General Villa will create if her persists in the high handed course he is reported to be following at Chihuahua City became evident here today when Carranza's confidential agent, Felix Summerfield, left Juarez hurriedly for Villa's headquarters.

It was said Summerfield would insist, in Carranza's name, that Villa restore to its owners all the foreign property he has confiscated and guarantee protection to all foreigners regardless of nationality.

Carranza, himself, it was understood, would go to Chihuahua City if Villa proved stubborn.

## AMERICANS AT ROME ADMITTED TO PRIESTHOOD

ROME, Dec. 15.—Seventeen students of the American seminary at Rome, of which Monsignor Kennedy is the director, today was granted the final insignia of their orders. Those admitted to the priesthood are Richard Brennan and Joseph Mullin, Cleveland; William Kealy, Scranton, Pa.; George Campbell, Portland, Or.; James Kelly and Joseph Schaeffer, Brooklyn. Those admitted to the diaconate are: John Heagan, Cleveland; John Martin, Providence; James Roche and Anthony Lorenz, Dubuque; Walter Casey, Hartford; John Koslowski and Daniel Murphy, Chicago; Arthur O'Connell, San Francisco; Francis Garvey, New York; Joseph Lee, Wilmington; John Morgan, Nashville; James Normole, Winona; George Johnson, Toledo; Joseph Breslin of Chicago will take their orders earlier in the year, were present at the exercises, which were presided over by the cardinal vicar of Rome.

## ABANDON CCELERATION FOR HETCH HETCHY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Plans of Californians here to celebrate the signing of the Hetch Hetchy water bill by President Wilson were abandoned today.

Following a visit to the white house, former Mayor Phelan of San Francisco said that because of the president's indisposition it had been decided by interested parties to not try to be present at the signing of the bill.

It was announced the president will sign the measure either today or tomorrow.

## ARTHUR PELKEY TRAINING FOR FIGHT WITH SMITH

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Arthur Pelkey, claimant of the world's heavyweight title, was hard at work today, training for his scheduled twenty-round clash here New Year's day with Gunboat Smith. Yesterday Manager Tommy Burns kept his man in check.

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## TAMPICO REFUGEES TAKEN ON BOARD OCEAN STEAMERS

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 15.—The liner Morro Castle had arrived today off Tampico to take refuge and to Galveston, but the sea was reported so heavy that the work of transferring from the warships was being delayed.

The official version was that 195 men, 166 women and 146 children, all foreigners, had been taken on board the American vessels. Considerable trouble was experienced in embarking them, and the children especially were said to have suffered severely from exposure on the decks of the smaller craft, which, on account of the shallow water, were the only ones it was possible to run up to the wharf. The fighting being over temporarily at least, it was thought some of the men might prefer to return ashore to look after their business interests.

The Mexican federal gunboats Bravo, Vera Cruz, Tampico and Zaragoza still lay in Tampico harbor, ready to aid in defending the city if the rebel attack were renewed. Among the Bravo's crew dead were said to have been done by rebel sharpshooters. The other three boats did not arrive until the fighting was nearly over.

## WU TING FANG TO MAKE TOUR OF WORLD

PEKIN, Dec. 15.—Dr. Wu Ting-fang, twice Chinese minister to the United States, Cuba and Peru, and secretary of foreign affairs in President Sun Yat Sen's provisional republican cabinet in 1911, today formally accepted a commission from President Yuan Shih Kai to travel abroad as a special envoy to thank the various powers for their formal recognition of the Chinese republic. Although Dr. Wu was not a candidate, he received several parliamentary votes when President Yuan was elected last month to a full five year term. Dr. Wu will come up from Shanghai in a few days to receive his instructions. He will travel via the Trans-Siberian railway and his first diplomatic call will be at the court of the Czar. He will then visit England, Germany, France and the other European countries. A stay of considerable duration will be spent in the United States by Dr. Wu. After paying his respects to President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan he will visit the scenes of many a post-prandial triumph in the leading American cities. He will sail from San Francisco for Japan and from the capital of the Mikado to Peking, and thence to his home in Shanghai.

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## GOVERNOR PLANS ROAD WORK TO EMPLOY IDLE MEN

SALEM, Dec. 15.—Believing the time has come for prompt action to relieve the labor situation in the state, Governor West issued a call today for a meeting of the state emergency board for Thursday morning at which he will suggest deficiency appropriation of \$50,000 to provide employment for idle men on the public roads, during the next two months.

Governor West figures this amount will give employment to five hundred men at \$2.00 per day during that period and will also hasten the improvement of thoroughfares.

The decision to call the meeting was reached by Governor West following a conference with State Senator McColloch, who acted as his representative at a meeting of the unemployed in Portland yesterday.

## OWEN MORAN TO MEET AZEVEDO TUESDAY NIGHT

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 15.—Owen Moran, the English lightweight, and Joe Azevedo of Sacramento were reported to today for their scheduled ten-round clash here tomorrow night. The fighters are to weigh 133 pounds at 6 o'clock, and neither was expected to have any difficulty on that score. Jim Griffin of San Francisco will referee the contest.

## RITCHIE-MURPHY FIGHT DETAILS TO BE SETTLED TODAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Promoter James W. Coffroth was certain early today that all financial differences which have delayed the signing of articles between Champion Willie Ritchie and Harlem Tommy Murphy would be cleared away when the fighters and their managers meet here at 3 o'clock this afternoon in Coffroth's office. Just why the promoter was so certain of this fact he would not say.

Ritchie, through his manager, Harry Foley, has demanded a flat guarantee of \$15,000, the same as for the postponed match, and Harlem Tommy wants thirty per cent of the gross receipts. Coffroth asserts that if Murphy sticks to his demand, the best he can offer Ritchie is \$12,500 with the privilege of accepting 50 per cent of the gate.

It was believed in sporting circles that Murphy would recede from his present position and agree to accept 25 per cent of the receipts left after Coffroth paid all expenses incidental to staging the match. The belief prevailed that Ritchie would stick to his demand for \$15,000.

## Weather Forecast

Oregon—Fair tonight and Tuesday; easterly winds.

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