

TAMPICO TAKEN HUERTA FORCES EVACUATE CITY

**Constitutionalists Capture Oil Port—
Mayo in Conference With Gunboat
Captains—Fleet Ordered to Panuco
River to Escape Hurricanes—Oil
Well Work Resumed.**

WASHINGTON, May 14.—While interest in the Mexican situation centered here today in the capture of Tampico by the constitutionalist forces, diplomatic and state department officials were busily engaged in completing preliminary plans for the mediation conference at Niagara Falls, Oct. next week.

Following further reports from Rear-Admiral Badger and Rear-Admiral Mayo concerning the taking of the Mexican port by the constitutionalists, Secretary of the Navy Daniels authorized Admiral Mayo to return his ships to the Panuco river. This was deemed expedient on account of hurricanes that are now menacing the smaller boats.

Confers With Mexican Captains

An important conference was expected later today on the battleship Connecticut between Admiral Mayo and the commanders of the Mexican federal gunboats, which steamed out of the Panuco river into the harbor yesterday following the evacuation of the city by Huerta's forces. The conference was arranged for yesterday, but could not be held on account of heavy seas.

It was reported here today that an understanding had been reached between United States officials and constitutionalist leaders, whereby all the operations of the various oil wells around Tampico could resume work at once under a guaranty of protection from the constitutionalist generals.

Silliman Not Heard From

State department officers still were waiting with some anxiety for definite word from Vice-Consul Silliman, who had been imprisoned at Saltillo. Nothing has been heard officially in Silliman's case since the Brazilian minister reported orders for his release had been telegraphed by the Mexican authorities at Mexico City to the proper official at Saltillo.

Officials here said no representations had been received from General Huerta regarding the Lobos Island incident.

SMALL LOSS BY REBELS IN CAPTURE OF TAMPICO CITY

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., May 14.—The last constitutionalist attack on Tampico began under the leadership of General Luis Caballero early in April. Immediately after the capture of Monterey General Pablo Gonzalez began moving his troops to the assistance of Caballero.

The total force of constitutionalists taking part in the attack on the city number about 7000 men under Generals Pablo Gonzalez, Luis Caballero, Cesario Castro and Augustin Castro. The total killed, from reports received at Matamoros, is placed at 300.

Last night the streets of Tampico were patrolled by constitutionalist cavalry. Invitations already have been issued to foreigners to return to the city and resume their business affairs under guaranty of protection by General Gonzalez. Saloons were ordered closed until further notice by General Gonzalez.

Statements by the commanders at Tampico indicate that little time will be lost in closing in on San Luis Potosi and Saltillo. Tampico advisers were that the constitutionalists hope to capture these two cities within two weeks at the latest.

\$200,000 LIBRARY OF RARE BOOKS TO BE SOLD

NEW YORK, May 14.—The Foule collection of rare books on ornaments and architecture purchased by the late J. Pierpont Morgan in 1910 for \$200,000, is to be sold at auction in Paris early in June, according to advice from the French capital.

To the Democrats of Oregon

The undersigned Democrats hereby endorse the candidacy of W. H. Canon of Medford for the office of National Committeeman, to be filled at the primary election next Friday.

Judge Canon has been active in party councils for many years, having effectively served as County Chairman and State committeeman for Jackson county for the past six years.

Mr. Canon is accused of being a reactionary. This accusation coming from his opponent, who is an avowed non-partisan, needs no further explanation.

If long service in the Democratic ranks in support of the candidacies of Bryan and of Wilson brand a Democrat as reactionary, then we submit that we need more such reactionaries and less non-partisans directing the policies of a purely party organization.

The attack on Mr. Canon's Democracy is unfair, and the Democrats of Oregon will resent this effort to gain control of the party for purely selfish purposes.

We are for Canon because of his honesty, his ability and his known fealty to party organization, and his loyalty to the Wilson administration.

B. E. HANEY, Chairman State Central Committee.

H. B. VAN DUZER, Chairman Multnomah County Committee.

R. W. HAGOOD, THOS. O'DAY.

FIRST TRAFFIC PASSING THROUGH PANAMA CANAL

WASHINGTON, May 14.—For the first time in the world's history water-borne traffic is now passing through the Panama canal, according to the reports that have been received at the headquarters of the Panama railroad in New York, forwarded here today.

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though confirmation of the report has not yet reached the Washington office of the isthmian canal commission, it is known that ample provision has been made by Colonel Goethals for the institution of water service, limited at first strictly to barges, beginning not later than May 16. As a matter of fact, according to the Panama railroad reports, the service actually began last Saturday, and a steady stream of barges in tow is now passing through the canal.

TO BUILD RAILROAD BOISE TO FRISCO

BOISE Idaho, May 14.—Articles of incorporation were filed here today by L. O. Leonard for the Boise, Butte & San Francisco Railroad company, which proposes to build a railroad from Butte to San Francisco via Boise. The capital stock is put at \$125,000,000.

The articles do not disclose the financial interests back of the proposed road.

SCIENTIST WHO CUT ALUMINUM COST DEAD

NEW YORK, May 14.—Private cable telegrams received in this country yesterday told of the death in Paris of Paul Louis Toussaint Heroult the scientist whose research work reduced the cost of producing aluminum to such an extent that it became commercially valuable. Mr. Heroult was 51 years of age. He reduced the cost of producing aluminum from \$20 to 50 cents a pound.

METHODISTS PRAY MEDIATION'S SUCCESS

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Prayers for the success of the South American mediation powers in composing the Mexican situation were requested in all Methodist Episcopal churches on Sunday, May 17, in a communication addressed to the churches today by Earl Cranston, senior bishop of the church.

MRS. DRUMMOND SEEKS AID FROM ULSTER LEADER

LONDON, May 14.—"General" Mrs. Flora Drummond, leader of the militant suffragettes, pitched her camp today on the doorstep of Sir Edward Carson's residence in Eaton Place and informed the Ulster Unionist leader that she as a militant, had come to him as another militant to seek his protection from arrest.

Mrs. Drummond had been summoned to appear at the police court in connection with her campaign of militancy. As she had made up her mind not to appear before the magistrate, she expected to be arrested and declared that she would remain on Sir Edward Carson's doorstep and appeal to him for protection when the police arrived to take her into custody.

Mrs. Dacre-Fox another prominent militant, who also had been summoned to appear at the police court on a charge of inciting women to commit crime, appealed to the Marquis of Lansdowne, Unionist leader in the House of Lords, at his residence in Berkeley Square. She hammered at the door for a long time, attracting a big crowd, before being arrested.

CANADA TO HAVE ANTI-TIPPING LAW

OTTAWA, Ont., May 14.—The bill making tipping and the taking of tips an indictable offense has passed the senate committee of the whole practically without opposition.

The bill was introduced some time ago by Senator Davis, a westerner, and at first excited much ridicule. Then suddenly a widespread demand for the passage of the bill sprang up, with the result that it has been rushed through the committee, which means that it will pass the senate and be sent to the house committee for concurrence.

The bill makes it an offense punishable by a fine of \$100 to give or take a tip, and makes the employer equally liable to the fine.

PROHI SEEKS PLACE ON DEMOCRAT TICKET

Democrats are requested to write the name of Porter J. Neff as state senator upon the ballots. Some effort has been made by Tom Nichols of Eagle Point to secure the nomination, but as he is now a member of the prohibition party and as such has the prohibition nomination, democrats very generally object to writing his name upon the ballot.

FINEST CONCRETE ROAD YET MADE STATES EXPERT

**Central Point-Medford Section of
Pacific Highway Successfully
Stands Most Severe Tests Ever
Applied to Concrete—Rock Breaks
Under Tester Before Concrete.**

Robert S. Edwards of Portland of the firm of Edwards & Lazell, chemical engineers who have conducted tests and prepared specifications for the Central Point-Medford section of the Pacific highway, in response to a request from the Mail Tribune, writes as follows concerning the concrete being laid. He pronounces this road the finest concrete road ever built in the west and as good as constructed any where in the world:
Portland, May 13, 1914.

To the Editor:
Sometime ago you asked me to give you some information concerning the concrete pavement being placed on the Medford-Central Point road, hence, it might prove interesting to some of the readers of your paper to know more about the method of carrying on this work and just why certain materials are being used in this concrete road and why certain precautions are a necessity in the combining of these materials, so that we may be positive of securing a good and permanent road.

Is Scientific Problem
In the first place, the making of the concrete which is to be used for a pavement is not the easy thing it is. It is only within the last four or five years that any real study and careful attention has been given to concrete when used as a paving material. During that time there has been much valuable data collected which has proven to be of the utmost practical value to the people who are building concrete roads. Much of this work has already become standardized in its application to such an extent that to neglect its rulings would be but to jeopardize the quality of the concrete and run the chances of securing a poor piece of work.

The engineer who specializes in concrete pavements, knows as surely as the sun rises and sets that to insure a good job, the following conditions must be fulfilled:

First Class Materials
The materials for construction, cement, sand, gravel or crushed rock, must be first class in every particular. All of these materials must be inspected. These materials must be so put together as to secure a dense concrete, for density as a general rule means impermeability and uniformity, and uniformity gives us permanence and absence of cracking outside of the regular standardized contraction joint placed in the pavement. The depositing and final treatment of the concrete so made, as it goes into the work, is also of the greatest importance, and the carelessness and neglect in this feature of the work has caused many jobs to go wrong. Careful and intelligent inspection in combining the cement and aggregate and water as well as the proper length or time required to mix the same, cannot be insisted upon too strongly. The final protection of the concrete surface and the curing or the same by covering with sand and keeping it wet for at least one week, will do more towards making a good hard surface than one can realize. Concrete is peculiar in this respect, and

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MANY MORE ARMS GIVEN UP, STRIKE ZONE

TRINIDAD, Colo., May 14.—A proclamation of disarmament issued by Colonel James Lockett by authority of the war department, which went into effect at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, dominated today the strike districts of Las Animas and Huerfano counties. The effect of the proclamation was evidenced late yesterday when hundreds of weapons of all descriptions were added to nearly 3000 pieces previously surrendered.

WHY SHOULD I SUPPORT C. J. SMITH FOR GOVERNOR?

Medford, May 14th, 1914.
To the Editor:
Why should one support C. J. Smith for governor? Because he is a progressive, but not an extremist; a conservative, but not a reactionary; a friend of the common people, but not a socialist; broadminded, but not indifferent; of strictest integrity and a tireless worker.
Having known him intimately for many years and having been associated with him on the State Board of Health for the past 12 years, can say that he is a student of affairs in every sense of the word; an investigator of questions of state, rendering his decisions, after mature deliberation in the interests of the public without hesitancy. He is a man who stands well in his profession, having been honored, though living in a small community, with its greatest gift, the presidency of the state association. He is most popular in his home community having served as mayor and been twice elected as state senator from his district, overhwhelmingly opposed to him politically at a time when politics counted. His words were listened to and received due consideration from the opposition as mature judgment and common sense permeated every sentence.
A man of affairs and from every standpoint a man of business, capable without display; withal every inch a man! If elected governor he will be a friend to all parts of the state.
Sincerely yours,
E. B. PICKEL.

GERMAN STATES AMERICA SEEKS MEXICAN LAND

BERLIN, May 14.—The United States was accused today of planning to acquire territory in Mexico by Dr. Peter Spahn, leader of the clerical party, during a debate in the imperial parliament, which followed the reading of a communication from Gottlieb Von Jagow, the German foreign minister.

"The incidents in Mexico prove that the United States is trying to extend her borders to the south," said Dr. Spahn. "Distrust of the United States has been augmented through her demand on the South American republics to free themselves from the domination of European capital so that the North American trusts may enter then undisturbed."

Only brief reference was made to the Mexican situation, however, by the foreign minister in his survey of Germany's foreign relations. He said the German government was gratified that the government of the United States with which the German government continued to have the best relations, had decided to accept the proffered mediation.

TWO MISSING ASTORIA BLAZE

ASTORIA, Or., May 14.—In a fire which destroyed the warehouse of the Columbia River Packers' association here today, three men were severely burned and many had narrow escapes from death by fire and drowning. Two have not been accounted for.

The fire started in the shore end of the building, forcing the forty workmen to make their escape by way of the river end and so fierce and sudden was the conflagration that practically every man in the building was forced to jump overboard. They were picked up by fishermen. The revenue cutter Snoboshmish aided the firemen in holding the flames in check. The loss will exceed \$20,000.

The two men unaccounted for were visitors at the warehouse. What caused the fire has not been ascertained. A large quantity of oil was stored in the building. Many thrilling rescues were made by firemen and fishermen. Fireman Karlson, smashing a window, entered a flaming room and dragged an unconscious workman to safety. Fireman A. Malagamba plunged into the river three times in a shower of flame and rescued three men who could not swim.

MELLEN EXPOSES DOUBTFUL DEALS OF NEW HAVEN

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Details of financial methods of the New Haven railroad in the acquisition of subsidiaries, particularly the New York, West Chester & Boston, were disclosed, to the interstate commerce commission today by Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven.

Mr. Mellen, with apparent frankness, told of his negotiations with former Police Inspector Thomas F. Byrnes of New York for the exchange of 8000 New Haven shares for 24,000 shares of West Chester stock, because he thought that Byrnes had influence with people "whom it was necessary to reach." Mr. Mellen bluntly said he would have been willing to deal with the "devil or anybody else" in the transaction.

"I entered into negotiations with Mr. Morgan concerning the New Haven presidency," said Mr. Mellen. "Mr. Morgan simply told me he was going to make me president. I thought it was a reward for good service."

"What was your salary?"

"It was \$50,000 a year for a time and afterward \$60,000."

Mr. Mellen's examination today was brief and his testimony had scarcely begun when an adjournment was taken until next Tuesday. It was stated that the adjournment was designed to allow Mr. Mellen time to secure certain papers necessary to his testimony and to arrange the documents to be submitted to the commission.

KILLED TEACHER TO AVENGE WRONG

HERKIMER, N. Y., May 14.—A confession alleged to have been made by Jean Gianini, telling in detail how he murdered his young school teacher, was introduced today at Gianini's trial.

In the alleged confession young Gianini says he killed his teacher for revenge.

"I walked up the street with her toward my home," according to the document in evidence, "and when we got beyond the stone quarry I hit her with a monkey-wrench. Then I stabbed her with a knife and dragged her to a lot. I was not afraid when I got home. I was just as happy as I ever was and did not think anything about it, as I thought I had revenge."

Smith Sure of Nomination

PORTLAND, Ore., May 14.—(Special).—Dr. Smith seems assured of democratic nomination for governor with Bennett and Manning in close contest for second place. Smith will probably carry Multnomah county, with Manning second. The Oregonian's attacks have added decisively to Smith's strength all over state.

The republican nomination is more difficult to forecast, but the chances favor Moser or Withycombe. Moser's strength is in cities and larger towns and he is backed strongly by the liberal element. Withycombe is not only strong with the farmers, but has a considerable following in Portland. Crawford's strength is waning.

Canon is a certain winner for National committeeman. The campaign made for him by the Mail Tribune has brought results all over the state.

ALL CANDIDATES SEE VICTORY AS PRIMARY NEARS

The heavy artillery of the primary campaign was moved down to the Nash Hotel this morning, by Generals J. M. (Doc) Keene, Jess Housh, Ed Pottenger, R. E. Whitehead, and other leaders of the F. H. Madden forces, and all day the air was full of political arguments, the most exciting being the verbal engagement between R. W. Ruhl, editor of the Morning Sun and Ben C. Sheldon, the well known booster.

Joe Smith is picked as an easy winner and counted upon to carry by a large vote, the north end of the county, including Central Point. Smith has the advantage in this city, of being well known and well liked by all classes. His following asserts he will carry Medford by over from 290 to 300 votes.

Close Contests Predicted

For sheriff on the republican side, Walker is given a shade over Singler, with Earhart a close third. The vote, owing to a three-cornered race is split and uncertain. Chief of Police Hittson and John Summerville each pick themselves as winners on the democratic side. Several small bets, however, that Summerville would win were made this morning.

The bitterest fight in the republican ranks lies in the race for county treasurer, a strong feeling being manifested among friends of both Colvig and Cronemiller, brought about by the charge that Colvig was induced to make the race upon the pledge of Cronemiller that he would not run, afterwards filing his nomination. Colvig's friends assert that with an even break in Ashland, he will win. Opposition to Cronemiller, on account of running for a fifth term, is shown in the county districts, a change being figured beneficial.

Light Vote Is Expected

Both Ussher and Kellogg claim the republican nomination for coroner, and a close, hard fight is assured with chances favoring Ussher. Two years ago the same candidate ran a nip and tuck race. The Ashland railroad vote is conceded to Ussher. All the candidates were out all day, making the final plea for votes, while his Highness, The Voter, smiled, and waited for the proverbial 11 o'clock canard of the defeated.

Not over 4500 or 5000 votes are expected to be polled out of a nearly 9000 registration. Smith, democrat, for governor, will carry the county, with Bennett second, and the outlook is for Withycombe to carry it for the republicans with Crawford a close second.

MILLION IN GEMS FOR NORDICA HEIRS

NEW YORK, May 14.—The notable collection of jewels, valued at \$1,000,000, including the famous Nordica pearl and other gems almost priceless because of their flawlessness and beauty, were disposed of by Mme. Nordica, the singer, in her will, some details of which became known today.

In addition to the jewels, Mme. Nordica disposed of other property valued at several hundred thousand dollars. Her husband, George W. Young, the New York banker, and her three sisters, it is understood, are her chief legatees.