

## More Americans Are Reported Slain by Mexican Mobs

**TWELVE, INCLUDING TWO WOMEN, REPORTED DEAD—EL PASO READY TO FIGHT**

**Enraged Americans Attack American Consul, Holding Him Partly to Blame, and Eject Him From Hotel. Bitter Denunciations of Administration Heard—Carranzistas Pursuing the Bandits.**

lynch General Salazara. Twenty Americans called at his hotel and searched for him, but at the time Salazara was away. Many American miners here want Carranza to permit them to organize a regiment and pursue the bandits. The special train bearing the bodies of the eighteen victims of Tuesday night's slaughter of American and British by Villista bandits arrived at daylight today. Hundreds gathered at the station at the time, and watched the transfer of the remains to the morgue. Eye witnesses arriving say the Mexicans used soft-nosed bullets, tearing gaping holes in the heads of the victims.

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**CHIHUAHUA, Jan. 13.**—General Trevino, at the head of 600 Carranza troops, is in pursuit of the Villista bandits. He has been ordered to run them to earth and show them no mercy.

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**EL PASO, Jan. 13.**—According to unconfirmed reports from Chihuahua, twelve more Americans, including two women, were massacred at Madara.

As a result, the temper of El Paso citizens has reached the fighting point. Great precautions are being taken to avoid a clash with Mexicans. American miners here, enraged at American Consul Edwards at Juarez, attacked him this morning, and forcibly ejected him from the Sheldon hotel in this city. Edwards ran up the street, pursued by some of the miners, who bitterly denounced the administration.

Edwards declared that General Gavira, the Carranza commandant of Juarez, had absolutely guaranteed yesterday the safety of Americans, saying they could return safely and reopen the mines. The twelve reported killed went in response to this, and Edwards is denounced by many for making the statement which caused these people to re-enter Mexico and furnish fresh victims for the bandits.

In order to prevent threatened violence against leading Mexicans, General Manuel Banda and a dozen other Villista leaders have been jailed on vagrancy charges.

Their arrests followed the discovery of a plot by angry Americans to

## IMPORTANT MEET AT WOMAN'S CLUB

**LIBRARY CLUB'S GENERAL BUSINESS TOMORROW AFTERNOON WILL REVIEW 1915 AND PLAN 1916 WORK**

An important gathering will be the general meeting of the Woman's Library Club at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon. At this time the work of the various departments for the past year will be thoroughly reviewed, and the extent of the club's activities summed up. Another feature of the meeting will be the planning of work for the present year. The Library Club is now affiliated with the National Federation of Women's Clubs, and there is no organization of the kind in the state of Oregon which works so effectively for civic improvement and other betterments of social and economic conditions.

**SAN FRANCISCO LAWYER FOUND DEAD IN HARBOR**

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**SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.**—The body of Henry Gill, a prominent attorney, was found floating in the bay. A gash an inch and a half long was found on the back of his head. Gill was last seen Tuesday, when he was in excellent health and spirits. Murder is believed the cause of his death.

**Transfer Property.**

H. S. Fox closed a deal recently with O. A. Hilliard, to whom he transfers the ownership of lot 1, in block 18 of the Hot Springs Addition.

## Strahorn Is Hard at Work Again



Robert E. Strahorn, projecter and president of the Oregon, California & Eastern railway, is again in Portland, after a two weeks' tussel with the grip. He contracted it on his way from Portland to Spokane, after his return from a long trip through Eastern Oregon.

Once recovered, however, Mr. Strahorn plunged at once into a great mass of reports that had been compiled by Chief Engineer Bogue. The engineer had lately returned from his field investigations and draughtsmen are now completing the final maps to show graphically what the estimates of construction mean.

The reports of the engineers have been long awaited, that the committee of Portland business men might have accurate information regarding the cost of construction, and thus have a working basis for the raising of the proportion of cost that Mr. Strahorn is asking be borne by Portland and Oregon.

Mr. Strahorn says he feels much encouraged over the prospects, and the whole territory south and east of Bend, in the Klamath, Lakeview and Burns countries, are developing a most cordial support.

It is probable that Mr. Strahorn will remain in Portland from now on until the financial arrangements are completed, so that work may begin on the pioneer railroad this spring or summer.

## TEUTONS ADMIT A BIG RUSS EFFORT

**ENORMOUS OFFENSIVE STARTED BY CZAR'S FIGHTERS, AND THE FIGHTING IN THE EAST IS OF DESPERATE TYPE**

**LONDON, Jan. 13.**—Reports from Austria say that in the struggles for Czartorysk and Czernowitz, the two temporary objectives of the tremendous Russian drive in Galicia and Bukowina, 175,000 men have fallen on both sides in the last few weeks.

Berlin and Vienna, thoroughly awake now to the enormous proportions of the Russian offensive, describe the fighting as not only the most desperate, but the most reckless of the war, as far as the Russians are concerned.

The Pester Lloyd, one of the most reliable of the Hungarian newspapers, is authority for the statement that 175,000 men have been killed or wounded in the short 70 mile front. Berlin says the Russian losses in dead and wounded in the last few days alone exceed 50,000.

**SAYS TAFT WILL NOT BE THE NEW SUPREME JUDGE**

United Press Service  
**WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.**—The successor to the late Justice Lamar's seat in the supreme court of the United States will not be former President William H. Taft. This was stated authoritatively today by a source close to President Wilson.

## LETTER WRITING WEEK IS TO GET SUPPORT IN K. F.

**THE SCHOOLS WILL SEND OUT MANY LETTERS**

**Business Men Are Urged to Write Letters, and All Who Send Messages of Invitation to Other Sections Are Asked to Leave Lists of These People at Commercial Club for "Follow-Up" Work.**

With "Letter Writing Week" just a few days off, Klamath Falls is making serious efforts for taking advantage of this great advertising possibility. During the coming week, every person in Oregon is asked to write as many letters as possible to friends, relatives or acquaintances in other sections, urging them to come to Klamath county, at least for the summer vacation, if not for permanent location.

The many resources of Klamath, both for a location and a summer playground, are so varied and attractive that there is material galore for writing effective letters. In order to keep the prospects thus started interested, the Commercial Club requests all writing letters to leave the names and addresses of those written to with Secretary Fleet, so this can be followed up with Klamath Fact Books and other literature regarding Klamath county.

The schools of Klamath Falls will take an active part in the success of Letter Writing Week. Superintendent R. H. Dunbar of the city schools and Principal Bowman of the Klamath County High School will confer tomorrow regarding a plan of action. It is thought at present that the students will submit their letters to these gentlemen, who will have the necessary postage ready, and who, in this way, will have an effective check on the work started by the students, so it may be followed up later.

Letter Writing Week is one of publicity for Klamath that all can participate in with no difficulty. During that time, letters from friends in other sections can be answered, and in these, invitations to come to Klamath and descriptions of the county can be included.

In case there are any business men who really feel that they have not the time to send out the letters they wish to, the Commercial Club will try to assist them. These men are asked to bring their letterheads and the addresses of the parties to be written to, to the Club. Secretary Fred Fleet will endeavor to write all of these people, and return the letters to the business men for signature and mailing.

## FUNERAL OF BAY ATTEN TOMORROW

**SERVICES OVER REMAINS OF LOCAL MAN WILL BE CONDUCTED BY SOCIALIST LOCAL OF KLAMATH FALLS**

Funeral services for the late C. A. Bay will be held tomorrow at ten o'clock tomorrow forenoon from the Whitlock chapel. The services will be conducted by the Socialist local, of which Bay was a member for several years.

Bay passed away yesterday morning at the Slater rooming house, and death being due to bowel trouble and rheumatism. Little is known of the man, as he was extremely quiet, and very reticent, even before his death, regarding his antecedents.

## Poison and Gun for the Lukewarm Chinese Emperor Clears Court of All But Adherents



This is the latest photograph of Yuan Shi Kai, emperor of turbulent China, together with his signature. The picture was autographed and presented with much ceremony to Senator Saulsbury of Delaware at Peking, just before the change of government.

United Press Service  
**SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.**—Assassination from poison, the gun and the knife were rampant at the court of Peking; death feasts are daily occurrences; no one's life is safe unless he declares for Emperor Yuan Shi Kai, according to Editor Leong Kow of the Chinese Republic Journal. Leong declared he had information

## ODD FELLOWS IN ENJOYABLE MEET

**SOCIAL SESSION AT I. O. O. F. HALL LAST NIGHT WAS MUCH ENJOYED—LOCAL LODGE WILL GO TO BONANZA**

Last night the members of Klamath Lodge No. 137, I. O. O. F., held another smoker in their hall and a good crowd of fun lovers enjoyed the evening with their "jimmy-pipes" and cigars with their favorite game of cards until long after "all-hours" had registered the passing of another day.

In the banquet room a lunch was spread, and at any time of the evening, between games or between hands, the members regaled themselves with coffee, sandwiches, "bismarks" and fruit.

The members of this order will go to Bonanza Saturday night, to assist that lodge in the dedication of their new home and to initiate a class of ten or twelve into the mysteries of the order. The officers of the lodge request that every Odd Fellow who possibly can attend the regular meeting Friday night, as at that time all arrangements for the visit will be completed, and it is necessary to ascertain the number who will make the trip, so transportation can be arranged for.

## Late War News

By CARL ACKERMAN  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
**BERLIN, Jan. 13.**—The United Press has been officially authorized to deny the rumor that Kaiser Wil-

helm is seriously ill. His illness has never been serious, and he is in daily conference with members of his staff. (Editor's Note—Ackerman's story is the first officially authorized statement of the kaiser's condition since the first announcement that he was ill. Others from outside sources had the kaiser dying, and even dead.)

United Press Service  
**ROME, Jan. 13.**—King Emmanuel has summoned the army staff and cabinet for a conference regarding the Montenegrin situation. Italian troops may be sent to relieve the pressure on the Montenegrins.

The Montenegrin crown prince today arrived and presented King Nicholas' appeal for aid. It is also rumored that the Queen of Italy, who is a daughter of King Nicholas, also appealed for aid to Montenegro.

United Press Service  
**LONDON, Jan. 13.**—The National Federation of Miners has voted to postpone action in the proposed strike against the conscription bill until after parliament passes the measure.

## CONGRESS TAKES STEPS FOR U. S. TO ACT QUICKLY

**INTERVENTION A LAST RESORT, SAYS WILSON**

**Texas Says the Lone Star State Is Tired of Watchful Waiting—One Resolution Is for Sending Troops to Punish Bandits—Another Gives President Power to Use Troops as in U. S. Possessions.**

United Press Service  
**WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.**—Senator Lewis today introduced a resolution giving the president the same powers in regard to the army and navy control in Mexico as he now exercises over them in Nicaragua and Porto Rico. This paves the way for intervention.

On the floor of the house, Congressman Slaydon of Texas bitterly arraigned the "watchful waiting" policy. He stated that Texas is tired of this, and demands action.

Congressman Moss today introduced a resolution authorizing the president to send American troops into Mexico to punish the murderers of the American miners, and the use of the navy in obtaining protection for Americans.

It is learned that the administration will be used only as a last resort. Conditions in Mexico must become decidedly worse, and Carranza's impotency must be conclusively shown before armed forces cross the border.

Secretary of State Lansing says Carranza's steps for the punishment of the murderers is so far satisfactory.

Administration leaders admit that the growth of the intervention sentiment in congress depends upon Carranza's ability to punish the murderers.

Wilson also stands behind Lansing's statement that Americans entering Mexico in the face of warnings did so at their own risk.

## PRESIDENT NOT FOR COMPULSION

United Press Service  
**WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.**—Chairman Hay of the house committee on military affairs told the remainder of the committee that President Wilson is opposed to compulsory military service in the United States.

Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge told the committee that the continental army plan would be more satisfactory to the war department if the enlistments were to be compulsory instead of voluntary. He admitted, though, that the president strongly dissents.

## More Tule Lake Land to Be Leased for Farming

About 300 acres of the reclaimed lands in the bed of Tule Lake remain to be leased for the coming three year period, beginning March 1, 1916.

This land will be leased in tracts not to exceed eighty acres to one person, and the minimum amount that will be considered is 50 cents per acre.

Sealed bids will be received at the United States reclamation office, at Klamath Falls, until 3 o'clock p. m.,

January 31, 1916, for the leasing of these lands. Maps and advertisement forms may be had upon application at the postoffice at Merrill, Malin or at the United States reclamation office, Klamath Falls.

Payment of the first year's rental will be required on or before February 15, 1916, and for each of the succeeding years on or before January 1.

The land is a sandy loam soil, requiring no clearing whatever, and it has produced some phenomenal yields of hay, grain and other crops.

## Peterson Tells of Meets of Importance to State

A number of important state conferences and meetings were attended in the last two or three weeks by County School Superintendent Fred Peterson, who has just returned after an absence of nearly a month. While away, he attended the school superintendents' convention and Oregon irrigation congress at Portland, and the Farmers' Week, road builders' conference, Oregon drainage conference, rural credits conference, county fair officials' conference and pota-

to growers' conference held at Corvallis, under the auspices of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Matters of general interest to county school affairs and to the county superintendents were talked at the superintendents' convention. The papers submitted in the recent teachers' examination were graded at this time. Regarding other sessions, Mr. Peterson said:

"In the matter of further irrigation (Continued on page 2)