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COLOMBIANS IN AN UPROAR

Excited Over The Action of
The Panamanians

EXTRAVAGANT THREATS

Impossible of Execution Are
Made By The Infuriat-
ed Natives

PREFECT READ DECLARATION OF
INDEPENDENCE OF REPUBLIC
OF PANAMA AND WAS GREETED
BY FURIOUS SHOUTS OF
"DEATH TO THE AMERICANS."

COLON, Nov. 12.—The royal mail
steamer Orinoco arrived this morning
bringing the news of General Torres
and the Colombian troops he took from
here after the proclamation of the re-
public of Panama. The soldiers be-
haved well on the voyage. On the ar-
rival of General Torres at Cartagena
the news of the events on the isthmus
quickly spread and caused excitement.
General Torres and his officers were
threatened with arrest as traitors, but
the threat was not put into effect. The
population, greatly excited, soon crowd-
ed the streets, crying "Down with the
Americans." United States Consul In-
gersoll, fearing violence, remained shut
up in the consulate.

Panama's declaration of independ-
ence was read from a newspaper by
the prefect to a crowd assembled in
the plaza, and was greeted by furious
outcries and shouts of "Death to the
Panamanians" and "Death to the Ameri-
cans."

The prefect followed the reading by
a speech, in which he declared the Co-
lombian government would never per-
mit the secession of the isthmus and
would win back the lost territory at
any cost. The crowd in the plaza in-
dulged in many extravagant threats,
impossible of execution.

Took Fifty Prisoners.

About fifty officers and civilians who
refused to take the oath of allegiance
of the new republic arrived here today
over the Panama Railroad under a
heavy armed escort. The train backed
to the dock along side the steamer Leo
XIII. The prisoners alighted and board-
ed the steamer between lines of Panama
soldiers.

The dock is now guarded to prevent
their escape. The steamer will sail to-
morrow for Savannah. The prisoners
include Generals Tovar and Amaya,
the former prefect of Colon Guadras,
and the former Alcalde of Colon Guer-
rero.

COUNTRY EDITORS IN COURT

TILLAMOOK, Or., Nov. 12.—R. M.
Watson, plaintiff in a \$5000 libel suit

GOVERNOR TO CALL SESSION

If Members of Legislature
Give Him The Desired
Assurances

VICTIM OF THE WRECK

BODY OF MAN FOUND ON BEACH
NEAR THE SILETZ
RIVER.

NEWPORT, Or., Nov. 12.—The body
of a dead man, supposed to be one of
the victims of the ill-fated steamer
South Portland, wrecked near Cape
Blanco, October 19, has been found on
the beach three miles south of the
Siletz river. The man is apparently
about fifty years of age, weight about
two hundred pounds, hair black. The
body, which was badly decomposed,
was buried by the justice of the peace
and a jury, it being impossible to
reach the coroner.

SIX TRAINMEN WERE KILLED

Frightful Wreck of Two Hea-
vy Freight Trains in
Kentucky

COLLIDED IN DENSE FOG ON RE-
VERSE CURVE AT TOP OF A
THIRTY-FOOT EMBANKMENT—
ENGINEER FATALLY INJURED
IN MONTANA WRECK.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 12.—Two
heavy freight trains, one of them a
double-header, collided in a dense fog
near New Hope, Kentucky, on the
Louisville & Nashville today, killing
six trainmen and injuring two, one
probably fatally. The trains met on
a reverse curve at the top of an em-
bankment thirty feet high. Three en-
gines were completely demolished and
heavily every car in both trains landed
at the foot of the embankment.

Engineer May Die.

MISSOULA, Mont., Nov. 12.—The sec-
ond section of a freight train on the
Northern Pacific crashed into the rear
end of the first section at the water
tank at Clinton this afternoon. The
engineer of the second section was
fatally injured. The other trainmen
escaped. Ten freight cars were derailed
and the track torn up for a consider-
able distance. The passenger trains
were held eight hours.

LANSING Mich. Nov. 12.—Gus Gard-

ner won the decision over Doc Fil-
patrick in the tenth round here to-
night.

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OF FIFTEEN LETTERS ALREADY RECEIVED ALL BUT TWO GRANT HIM ALL THAT HE ASKS —WILL NOT COMMIT HIMSELF EITHER WAY.

"This matter has been greatly over-
drawn and my meaning entirely mis-
construed," said Governor Chamberlain
yesterday afternoon when discussing
the special session question and com-
menting upon the replies to his circu-
lar letter sent out to the members of
the Legislature. "It was not my in-
tention nor did I say anything that
would convey the idea that I desired
the members of the Legislature to
make me a solemn pledge as some of
them it would seem from the tenor
of their answers are pleased to con-
strue it."

"One would imagine from the drift
of some of the letters that I had ex-
acted an iron-clad promise from each
of them that they would act upon the
matter of adjusting the tax levy mud-
dle alone and positively refuse to take
up any other matter which may come
up before them but such was indeed
not the case as anyone can readily
see by perusing the letter. I intended
to say and did say that what I desired
of them was simply to inform me as to
the conditions locally in regard to the
existence of an emergency for calling
a special session and I only asked
them to give me the assurance that
they would enact only such legislation
as to remedy the defect in the tax
law and not take up any needless leg-
islation that is anything that could
just as well wait until the next regu-
lar session. It was not my intention
nor did I say anything that could be
construed to mean that the Legisla-
ture should cut off its business short
in the face of a calamity nor neglect
anything which should come up that
was of vital importance to the well-
being of the state."

"No I did not say that I would not
call a special session unless the major-
ity of the legislators pledged them-
selves to enact no other legislation
than that to relieve the existing
emergency in respect to the tax law;
but I do say that I must have the as-
surance that the emergency really ex-
ists and I depend upon the members
of the Legislature to supply me that
information as to local conditions."
"So far I have received only fifteen
answers to my circular letter and in
every instance except two the legisla-
tors have given me their assurance
that they were in favor of making the
session just as short as possible and
that they would confine themselves to
such legislation as is necessary to
remedy the tax law defect unless
something of vital importance should
come up for their consideration. All
of those who have so far answered my
letter with the exception of the two
which I referred to before endorse my
action most heartily."

While the Governor did not say in
so many words he intended very
strongly that if the answers continued
to come in in the same strain as those
he has already received he will be
strongly impelled to issue a call for
a special session and it is quite prob-
able that such will be the case. As
to the two parties referred to who
would not endorse the Governor's ac-
tion in sending out the circular letters
asking for an expression the Governor
said that neither of them offended him
in the least as he did not expect
anything else from them. He would
mention no names in this connection
but he did remark that the caustic
and altogether uncalled for attack
upon his policy upon the part of one
of them was nothing more nor less than
an outburst of personal spite and feel-
ing and that he did not pay the least
attention to it.

From the way the situation now
looks and if the letters continue to
come in as they have up to the pres-
ent time it certainly appears that there
will be a special session. The Gov-
ernor expects several letters to
arrive today.

The Portland Taxpayers' League is
sending out circular letters to the
sheriffs of the different counties of the
state, asking for general information
regarding the collection of taxes. This
is done presumably for the purpose of
ascertaining whether or not the Phelps
law as passed during the last session of
the Legislature would be more prefer-
able and would give better satisfaction
to the people in general throughout the
state than the old tax law. Sheriff B.
B. Colbath received one of these let-
ters yesterday morning, the letter
being signed by J. N. Teal, the secre-
tary of the league. The information
asked for was as to the total amount
of the 1903 tax roll of Marion county,
the amount of taxes paid by March
15, between March 15 and April 1, be-
tween April 1 and October 1, the
amount of rebate allowed and the
amount of taxes which were allowed to
become delinquent. The following per-
sonal question, directed to the sheriff,
was also contained in the letter: "Of
your own knowledge, did you know
of any general demand for a
change from the old law to the present
one?" Sheriff Colbath answered this
question by saying that he did not

TO OUTLINE THEIR POLICY

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Will Caucus Tomorrow

THE CUBAN TREATY BILL

To Be Attacked On Several
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Senator Proctor, acting chairman,

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BOY BEGS TO DIE

SCALDED BY BOILING WATER
LITTLE WILLIAM SCHMITT
SUFFERS TERRIBLY.

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 12.—William
Schmitt, the 14-year-old son of John
Schmitt, of Creswell, came near being
scalded to death this afternoon. He
had been ill and was standing by the
kitchen stove when he faintly, as he
told, he turned over a tea kettle of boil-
ing water, the water pouring all over
his body. As soon as possible the boy's
clothing was removed and the skin in
many places came off with the clothes.
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PURSUED BY LANDLADY

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IS HELD UP TO CRITICISM

President's Action in Miller
Open Shop Case Attacked

BY FEDERATION OF LABOR

Question Came Up in Form of
Resolution From The
Committee

BOSTON, Nov. 12.—President's
Roosevelt's action in the Miller open
shop case was brought before the con-
vention of the American Federation of
Labor when several delegates criti-
cized his decision not to discriminate
against union labor in Federal em-
ployment.

RESOLUTION DECLARED THE

OPEN SHOP WHETHER UNDER
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT
CONTROL CANNOT BE RECOG-
NIZED BY ORGANIZED LABOR

PERSONALS

M. L. Hamilton went to Portland

yesterday.

E. C. Judd returned yesterday from

a visit to Portland.

Squire Farrar was a visitor at the

metropolis yesterday.

A. R. Zeller, a local hop man, was

in Portland yesterday.

Roy Stapleton went to Portland yes-

terday for a short visit.

Jon Harris was a business visitor in

Woodburn yesterday.

P. L. Kenady, of Woodburn, was a

Salem visitor Wednesday.

Walter L. Toose, of Woodburn, was a

Salem visitor Wednesday.

Werner Breymann went to Portland

yesterday afternoon on business.

Julius Pincus returned last night

from a short business visit in Port-

land.

George Fry, a Hubbard hop grower,

was a business visitor in the city yes-

terday.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Cordray came

up yesterday to witness the Sis Hop-

kins play.

J. W. Springer was a Jefferson busi-

ness visitor Wednesday, looking after

his wood supply.

J. P. Case left yesterday for Arkan-

sas, to enjoy an extended visit with his

mother at the old home.

Attorney H. J. Bigger went to Port-

land yesterday afternoon to spend a

short time with his family.

Mrs. J. W. Baker left yesterday

morning for Woodland, California, to

spend a month with her mother.

STORM AT SALT LAKE

LOWER SECTIONS FLOODED.

TREES UPROOTED AND CAR

SYSTEM SUSPENDED.

SALT LAKE, Nov. 12.—For more

than half an hour tonight the severest

storm in years prevailed in this city.

Rain fell in torrents and was driven by

a wind that reached a velocity of over

sixty miles an hour. The lower sec-

tions of the city were flooded, trees

were uprooted and sections of the trol-

ley wires were blown down, causing a

complete suspension of the car sys-

tem.

Legal blanks, Statesman Job Office.

WOULD HAVE KILLED HIM.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Derogatory re-

marks regarding the union by an armed

non-union employee of the company

caused a riot at Thirty-sixth and State

streets tonight. The man was chased

into an engine house near by and be-

fore the police could reach the spot a

mob of 2000 surrounded the place

howling for the life of the refugee. A

squad of policemen after difficulty

quelled the disturbance.

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TELL HIM TO

Get that new overcoat now. Choos-

ing is always at its best early in the

season. Besides, if you're going to

get one at all, why not be having the

use of it? Our counters are piled high

with hundreds of stylish and well-

made coats priced to fit the garment.

The dressy short top coat, the swell

long full-cut overcoats and cravenettes,

and the medium length garments as

well, are all in evidence in our im-

mense stock. One further word in this

connection: In any garment, but es-

pecially in an overcoat, it pays to get

a good quality if you don't want it to

look shabby after a few months' wear.

The lowest priced is often the most ex-

pensive