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## ALL NIGHT FIGHT WITH FOREST FIRE SAVES SEATTLE

### Valuable Timber and Homes Destroyed in the Vicinity of Vancouver, B. C.

## SERIOUS FIRES BURNING AROUND PUGET SOUND

### Fanned by Stiff Breeze, Wall of Flame One Mile Long Sweeps Toward City

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—Between 300 and 400 men, owners of small homes in the outskirts of Seattle, this morning ended a long and successful effort to save their property from destruction by fire, after an all night siege.

The flames were discovered about noon yesterday in the woods north of the city limits, and fanned by a still breeze the fire swept toward Eighty-fifth street with alarming rapidity.

When the flames threatened to destroy homes, 70 prisoners in the county stockade were released on their honor, and fought the flames shoulder to shoulder with 50 firemen, who answered the call with an engine, and the homeowners who were hastily summoned from their downtown places of business.

A wall of flames a mile wide engaged the labors of the men all afternoon yesterday and all night, and after burning over an area of several square miles, principally logged-off lands, the fire was brought under control this morning. No homes were destroyed.

Forest fires at Skykomish, which destroyed five acres of standing timber, and in the Snoqualmie Pass district, near Rockdale, are under control today.

Serious forest fires are raging in Clallam county, across Puget Sound from Seattle, near Sol Duc, according to reports received by State Forester E. W. Ferris.

Half a dozen sections of timber have been destroyed with danger of the wind sweeping the flames into another rich timber belt.

Two serious fires are reported in the Nooksack district north of Bellingham, where several residences are menaced.

Fires in the vicinity of Vancouver, B. C., have destroyed a number of residences and much valuable standing timber. The loss is estimated at more than \$200,000.

## LISTER GETS MILK BATH IN COLLISION

Tacoma, May 23.—A "John Doe" warrant is out today for Governor Ernest Lister, charging the state's executive with exceeding the automobile speed limit. In order to keep an engagement to speak at a good roads gathering in Puyallup late yesterday afternoon, Governor Lister and his party was tearing along the paved county road at a speed said to have been considerably better than 50 miles an hour.

The three cars composing the governor's party made the trip across the state yesterday at high speed but were not molested until they reached Pierce county. It is reported that in a collision with a milk wagon near Bellingham, the governor was given a milk bath.

## SEATTLE OPENS FIRST MUNICIPAL CAR LINE

### No Formal Ceremonies Mark Beginning of Travel-System Parallels Track of Private Company.

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—The first unit of what the city of Seattle hopes will grow to a great municipal street car system was put in operation this morning.

The first car carried Councilman Erickson and Mrs. Erickson, the Misses Elsie and Frances Erickson, Councilman Lundy, and Superintendent A. Flannigan, besides a number of enthusiastic passengers.

No formal ceremony marked the opening of the line, but in several places the tracks parallel those of the Seattle Electric company, and the passengers of the rival lines waved and cheered as each other freely.

Twelve spacious, modern cars have been purchased and as many as are needed will be operated today.

The second division, the Lake Burien line, will be in operation in about a week.

The city is also attempting to gain control of the Seattle, Renton & Southern, operating through the Rainier valley.

## HIGH PRAISE IS GIVEN O. M. ELLIOTT, OF TWIN FALLS

That the election of O. M. Elliott to the superintendency of the Salem schools is considered an irreparable loss to the citizens of Twin Falls, Idaho, where he recently held the position of superintendent, is the statement of J. L. Daube, a resident of Twin Falls, who dropped into the Capital Journal office this morning.

Mr. Daube says the Twin Falls people have found Mr. Elliott to be a thoroughly competent superintendent and a superior educator, and that while it is likely that his successor in that city will be a capable man, the people are confident that they will never secure a better man in the position than was Mr. Elliott's, both personally and as an educator.

The Salem school board is to be congratulated upon their selection, says Mr. Daube, and while the Twin Falls people regret to lose Mr. Elliott, they carry the best wishes of the entire city in his work in the new field.

## WIFE OF FITZSIMMONS FILES SUIT FOR DIVORCE

Chicago, May 23.—Mrs. Julia Gifford Fitzsimmons, wife of Bob Fitzsimmons, former pugilist, filed suit for divorce here today in the superior court, basing her application on charges of cruelty. Among other things Mrs. Fitzsimmons charged that "Ruby Robert" beat her, pulled her hair and showed unreasonable jealousy. The couple were married in San Francisco July 25, 1903.

## ENGLISH ROYALTY FURIOUS AT THE SUFFRAGE TACTICS

### Detectives Raid Headquarters of the Militant Women and Arrest Numbers

## GLASS IS SMASHED IN BRITISH MUSEUM

### Portrait of King Hacked With Axe; the Glasgow Water Supply Threatened

London, May 23.—Twenty detectives from Scotland Yard today raided suffrage headquarters here.

It was believed the request for the raid came from King George, at Queen Mary's suggestion. Their majesties were said to be furious at the militant demonstration in their presence at His Majesty's theater Friday, though they sat through it with smiling faces.

Drive Women to Streets.

The detectives seized the suffragettes' records, drove the women present into the street and arrested a number of them. The plan was said to be to make another effort to break up the organization by pushing charges of criminal conspiracy against its members.

Two suffragettes this afternoon smashed the glass case in the British museum containing a number of Egyptian mummies. They were overpowered by attendants before they had had time to damage the mummies.

The women gave their names as Annie Wheeler and Nellie Hay and were sentenced respectively to two and one months' imprisonment.

Disfigure Painting.

Edinburg, May 23.—A suffragette here took several chops with a hand-axe at Lavery's portrait of King George in the Scottish academy. The painting was seriously disfigured.

Pacific Coast League.

All games in the Pacific Coast league were postponed today on account of rain.

## STUDENT OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED AT U. OF O.

### Leland Hendricks Elected Editor of "Oregon Emerald"—Leslie A. Tooze Chosen for Student Council.

Among the student body officers for next year installed at the student body meeting on Wednesday morning at the University of Oregon, were Leland B. Hendricks and Leslie A. Tooze, both of Salem. Hendricks, who is a son of Editor R. J. Hendricks, of this city, was installed as editor of the Emerald, the college tri-weekly, and Tooze as junior representative on the student council.

At the student body election a week ago, Hendricks and Tooze were elected by a large vote. Hendricks had a majority of 74 votes over his opponent, which Tooze, out of five candidates in the field, was 140 votes ahead of second man in the race.

Hendricks has taken a prominent part in journalistic activities around the university. He was editor of this year's Oregonian, the college year-book, published by the junior class. The book is probably the best that has ever been put out by any university class. Hendricks is also a member of Sigma Delta Chi, the honorary journalistic fraternity.

Tooze is a member of the Emerald staff and was recently awarded the "star" reporter's prize for being the best reporter on the staff. He is connected with various other clubs and student body activities.

## SEATTLE ELKS WILL BURN FIRE TONIGHT

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—The dedication of the new seven-story home of the Elks here tonight will be attended with a brilliant pyrotechnic display from the roof of the building.

Eleven aerial bombs will be discharged at half-minute intervals, beginning at 11 o'clock, the hour when the ceremony is completed.

At the same time the building will be outlined with radium searchlight candles, which will glow with a brilliancy that may be seen for miles.

Four great pots of fire at each corner of the roof will be aglow from 10 o'clock to midnight.

The parade from the old lodge room to the new, will be set in motion early in the evening by a signal from the roof of the new temple.

Governor Lister and the supreme court judges, besides other dignitaries, are expected as guests of the lodge tonight.

A banquet will follow the dedication ceremonies.

The Washington State Elks Reunion association yesterday endorsed Seattle as the 1915 convention city of the grand lodge.

## BECKER IS TO BE SENTENCED FRIDAY

### Convicted Police Lieutenant Still Has Hope of Escaping Electric Chair—To Be Taken to Death House.

New York, May 23.—Former Police Lieutenant Charles F. Becker, convicted yesterday for the second time of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, had not given up all hope today of escaping the electric chair. He summoned his counsel to the Tombs and they examined the transcript of the testimony, hoping to find a point on which they might base application for another appeal.

Becker believed today that his chances for acquittal would have been better if he had taken the stand himself. Attorney Harford Marshall agreed with the prisoner, but Attorneys Manton and Bourke Coeran were against such a move.

Becker probably will be sent to the death house at Sing Sing immediately after sentence is pronounced next Friday. No one entering the death house at Sing Sing the second time ever emerged alive.

Mrs. Becker visited her husband in his cell here today. She looked worn and her eyes were red and swollen from weeping.

## WANAMAKER WILL CLOSE STORES ON SATURDAYS

Philadelphia, May 23.—John Wanamaker, proprietor of one of Philadelphia's largest stores, and interested in stores in New York and other cities, announced here today that during July and August his store would be closed all day on Saturdays. A year ago Wanamaker predicted that the time would come when the American people would do no buying on Saturdays.

# GENTLE DOVE OF PEACE BEGINS TO COO; HUNGRY DOGS OF WAR MAY BE KENNELED IN 40 DAYS

### Huerta's Government Is Tottering and May Collapse at Any Moment—Bryan Is Silent as the Egyptian Sphinx and Will Give No Light on Situation—Criticism of Administration Brings Gagging Order From President Wilson—Strong Pressure Is Being Brought to Bear to Bring Carranza Into Peace Conference—Consul Silliman, III From Indignities Suffered, Starts From Mexico City Sunday for Vera Cruz—Mexican Rebels Are in Full Control at Saltillo.

Washington, May 23.—"There will be peace in Mexico inside of forty days," was the remark in Washington today of a man in close touch with Secretary of State Bryan.

The summoning of the mediators and envoys from both sides into a triangular session was taken as indicating distinct progress and it was the general belief that the peace dove was cooing tentatively.

Jose Vasconcelos, who it was said, might be Carranza's envoy, declared the constitutionalists would stay away from Niagara Falls while the Huertista cause remained there but it was thought, having been away from Mexico for some time, that he was out of touch with the situation.

Criticism of utterances by men in administration posts having threatened, in his opinion, to embarrass the mediation negotiations, the president ordered officialdom to say absolutely nothing further.

Despite reports that the Mexican federalists took private papers from Consul Silliman of Saltillo, now safe in Mexico City, it was understood Secretary Bryan would make no further move in the case at present.

Silliman, III, expected to start tomorrow for Vera Cruz.

In full possession of Saltillo the Mexican rebels were helping themselves to the war munitions abandoned by the fleeing federal garrison.

General Villa's forces were entraining at Paledon and Hipolito, presumably for an attack on Zacatecas before moving against San Luis Potosi.

Rebels were landing at Punto Del Tado from boats they seized at Tampico and, as there were federal only six miles away, a battle, with which it was said General Funston would not interfere, was promised in Vera Cruz immediately.

Government Tettering.

By John Edwin Nevins.

Washington, May 23.—President

Huerta's government was reported here today in so dispirited a condition that news of its collapse was expected at any minute.

In official circles, however, nobody could be found who would discuss the situation. President Wilson had ordered those who have hitherto dispensed news to remain absolutely silent.

Secretary of State Bryan was positively sphygnixlike.

The president's order gagging his subordinates was the result of the criticism of the administration by public men who declared it had almost openly espoused the Mexican rebel cause. For the criticism itself it was said the chief executive did not care so much, but he feared that it would embarrass the mediation negotiations at Niagara Falls. This he was determined to prevent.

State Officials Relieved.

There was an air of relief which state department officials could not hide at confirmation of the news that John R. Silliman, United States consul at Saltillo, was safe at last with the Brazilian minister in Mexico City. It was said indeed that the Huertistas seized the consul's papers, including a state department code book but the general understanding was that Secretary Bryan would make no further representations.

A report was received at the White House this afternoon from Justice Lamar and Frederick Lehmann, the American representatives at the Niagara Falls conference, but only the president and Secretary Bryan knew what it contained.

Want Rebels Represented.

Washington, May 23.—Strong pressure was being brought to bear by the Washington administration today to bring General Carranza into the Niagara Falls American-Mexican mediation negotiations.

Secretary of State Bryan, John Lind and Judge Douglas, the constitutional-

## Air Craft Are Used by Army in Mexico; Aviator Making Report



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Aeroplane are proving of distinct utility to the American army in Mexico. General Funston is using them constantly to keep track of the movements of the Huerta forces. The illustration (top picture) shows an aviator coming ashore in a hydroplane after a reconnoitering trip, and at the bottom is Lieutenant Mustin, an army aviator, making his report after returning from scouting over the Vera Cruz suburbs.

## The Weather

RAIN CAN'T SPOIL MY FUN

Showers to night and Sunday; southerly winds.