

HUERTA IS TO START FINAL PARKSQUEST

Dictator Promises United States to Learn Fate of Missing Orderly.

IN ANSWER TO NOTICE

Informed That Refusal to Act Would Have Been Consid- ered Hostile Stand.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—Spanish Ambassador Riano today received a dispatch from the Mexican minister of foreign affairs stating that a vigorous investigation of the disappearance of orderly Samuel Parks would immediately be made by the Huerta authorities. A note for Huerta declared that unless information as to the fate of Parks immediately was given, the American government would consider it an "unfriendly and hostile act."

Washington, D. C., May 16.—State department awaited today a reply from Huerta to an urgent inquiry made by the Brazilian minister in Mexico City, at the request of Secretary Bryan, for information concerning the whereabouts of Private Samuel Parks. Spanish Ambassador Riano today received a dispatch from the Huerta government promising an immediate investigation.

Bryan said he had received no proof from the Brazilian envoy that Parks, who went through the Mexican lines in uniform, was executed, but it was known that the minister as well as General Funston had been told repeatedly that Parks met summary execution and that his body was mutilated and destroyed. Neither, however, had been able to get the Mexican federal commander's account of just what happened.

The war department officials assume Parks met death in the manner unofficially reported. Bryan declined to make public the text of representations to Huerta, but said they were "urgent."

Further assurances have been received from the Brazilian minister at Mexico City that Consul Sillman, who was imprisoned at Saltillo, is en route to Mexico City, but that his arrival is being delayed by interrupted railroad conditions.

Tuxpam, on the east coast between Vera Cruz and Tampico, is in the hands of constitutionalists, according to a report today from Consul Canada, at Vera Cruz. A party of Spanish refugees who arrived from Tuxpam in a launch informed him that General Aguilera's constitutionalists occupied the city.

Federal Gunboat Sunk. Admiral Mayo reported that the Mexican federal gunboat Vera Cruz, previously reported abandoned, was sunk in Panuco river at Tamos. Two oil ships cleared from Tampico yesterday, perfect order being maintained.

A dispatch from Admiral Howard says that Guaymas, on the west coast of Mexico, is likely to be evacuated by the federals. Food in the town is scarce.

Fought Mexicans in '46; Wants to Again



Brig. Gen. Horatio G. Gibson.

Brigadier General Horatio G. Gibson, U. S. A., retired, will soon be 57 years of age, but he wants more active service and has offered his services to President Wilson in case war comes again with Mexico. General Gibson is the only graduate of West Point now on the army list who served in the 1846 war with Mexico.

INTERVENTION IS SUREST SOLUTION

That's Opinion of Master of Masons of Mexico, Who Tells of Outrages.

St. Louis, Mo., May 16.—American intervention is the only solution of the Mexican trouble, according to Wayne A. White, grand master of the Masons of Mexico, who is attending a conference of master Masons which closed today.

"The Mexicans openly insult our citizens, but respect the flags of Great Britain and Germany," White said. "It's a wonder more of us did not meet bodily violence. On several occasions during the most exciting days a large number of Americans were lined up to be shot, but were released when the ministers of Brazil and Great Britain intervened."

WIDE AUTHORITY GIVEN GOETHALS

Washington, D. C., May 16.—Widest authority in the enforcement of laws in the canal zone has been conferred upon Colonel Goethals by President Wilson. Goethals has been empowered to grant pardons and reprieves for offenses against the laws and regula- tions, to commute sentences and remit fines. He also may establish a parole system.

FARMER IS NOT IN ON COMPENSATION

He Escapes Provisions of New Illinois Law, According to Ruling of Board.

Freeport, Ill., May 16.—The farmer does not come under the workmen's compensation act, according to a decision of the state industrial board. An arbitration committee had awarded Dr. James Poling \$200 for services rendered Charles Crane, fatally injured by a traction engine, while in the employ of Henry Brown, a farmer. The board reversed the finding and declared a farmer is not bound by the provisions of the compensation act.

ITALY COMPLAINS OF A FLAG INSULT

American Seaman Alleged to Have Mistaken Colors for Those of Mexico.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The Italian ambassador called on Secretary Bryan today in regard to a reported insult to the Italian flag by two American seamen at Philadelphia May 14. The flag was displayed in front of a barber shop at the time of the memorial exercises for the American Vera Cruz victims and it is thought a seaman mistook it for a Mexican flag. The flag was pulled down and trampled upon. Bryan assured the ambassador, if found guilty, the seaman probably would be punished. The answer was accepted as satisfactory.

SLAYER OF 3 ON OHIO FARM TELLS STORY

Beard Unmoved as He Recites Details of the Bloody Tragedy.

HAD BEEN MISTREATED

Bob Massey Beaten to Death With Stake After Attacking Boy—Women Are Next.

Chicago, Ill., May 16.—An 18-year-old country boy, dressed in his "Sunday-go-to-meetin'" suit, sat in an office at the detective bureau yesterday and told how he had murdered two women and a man.

The boy is Harley Beard. He was arrested at noon in the home of his sister, Mrs. D. E. Day of 1331 West Madison street. He confessed to the murder, which occurred Wednesday, near Gallipolis, Ohio. His victims were Robert Massey, Mary Massey, a sister, and their mother, Mrs. Nancy Massey, for whom Beard worked as a farm hand.

The prisoner is either 18 or 19 years old—he is not sure which. He told his story with almost childish disregard for pronunciation. It is believed by many of the detectives who questioned him that his act was caused by a mental condition due to an injury to his head, suffered six years ago.

As he drew through the story of his life and through the incidents which led up to the tragedy his eyes never faltered from his questioners. Occasionally he would raise his hand to his head.

"What is the matter with your head?" he was asked.

"Hit by falling tree."

"Oh, I was hit by a falling tree about six years ago. Sometimes the place hurts," he replied. Then, in answer to questions, he told his story.

"My father was a millwright and carpenter. He died on a Saturday afternoon in 1910 from sunstroke, and most of us kids were sent to an orphan's home in Warren county, Ohio. My mother had died when I was very young."

"People used to come there and look us over and choose a boy, and then we were bound out to them."

"I worked around for a while, mostly at farming, and sometimes I worked in a tobacco factory, but I liked the farm best of all."

Works for Masseys.

"Well, finally I went to work for the Masseys. I liked the place, even if it did sass me."

"Last Monday Bob wanted to go to town and I got up and hitched the horse, and he said I could go back to bed until it got light enough to do the chores. I did, and when I was in bed Bob's sister, Mary, came into my room and began to talk to me."

"I told her to go out and she said a lot of things, but finally went out. I didn't like her very much, although she had always been pretty decent to me."

"Well, she told her mother that I had invited her into my room and talked to her."

Girl Tells Her Story.

WOMAN SWEARS AGAINST BECKER

Widow of Lefty Louie Says Rose Negotiated Deal; Saw Blood Money Divided.

LIED FOR HUSBAND'S SAKE

Like a Bomb in Camp of Defense— Prosecution Offers More Evi- dence Against Accused.

New York, May 16.—Before "Lefty Louie" Rosenberg went to the electric chair he made his young wife promise to tell the truth about the murder of Herman Rosenthal.

So she took the stand in her widow's black yesterday in the trial of former Police Lieutenant Charles Becker and told the jury that the gunman knew they were working for Becker when they shot down Rosenthal, and that she saw them divide the pay for the murder.

Martin Manton, chief counsel for the defense, on cross-examination, did all that any lawyer could to blunt the effect of that story when he asked Mrs. Rosenberg if she had not testified in the trial of the gunman that she had not heard a word of the talk between her husband and Jack Rose at the time Rose went to hire the gunmen, but she turned her eyes on the foreman of the jury and spoke 19 words:

"Well, I lied to save my husband at that time."

Mrs. Rosenberg entered the court room in the late afternoon. The first impression one got of her was that she is an undeniably pretty woman. She didn't weep. She found no use for the wisp of a handkerchief that she showed in her black gloved hand. She needed no supporting arm. Her voice was clear and steady and her gaze upon the jurymen was unflinching.

Tells Story Implicating Becker.

Mrs. Rosenberg testifying under the direct questioning of District Attorney Whitman said:

"I was the wife of Louie Rosenberg until April 13, when he was electrocuted. Jack Rose came to my house many times. On one occasion, about a week before the murder of Rosenthal, he came in and saw the boys, Louie, Harry Hornwitz, 'Whitney' Lewis, and Frank."

"He said to my husband: 'Becker is sore at Rosenthal, and he is sore at you boys, too. He is sore at Jack [Becker], the best thing you fellows can do is to stick inside the house. The first time you poke your heads outside the door he will get you for carrying guns.'"

Fared Frameup.

"Then my husband said: 'But we don't carry any guns.' To that Rose replied: 'But he'll frame you up; he'll put guns in your pockets.' 'Well,' said Louie, 'we'll do anything we can for Becker, but we don't want to be framed. What can we do?' Then Rose told Louie: 'You four fellows kill Rosenthal for Becker and everything will be all right.'"

"After the murder of Rosenthal the four boys were in my apartments. I saw them dividing a roll of money. I think there was \$1,000 in the roll."

Mrs. Rosenberg's testimony discounts the confession alleged to have been made by "Digo Frank" Circoffi, just before the gunmen were electrocuted. In the confession he was quoted as saying he never heard the name of Becker mentioned in connection with the murder plot.

Comes as Bomb to Becker.

It is difficult to picture the scene, as "Lefty Louie's" widow dropped her words into the utter silence of the court room. Every man of the jury bent toward her. Justice Seabury, missed no syllable of her story. Becker, from whatever emotion, it may have been simple astonishment, gripped hard the table in front of him. His lawyers, what time they were not objecting, sat with sober faces.

Cornell Wins Track Meet.

Ithaca, N. Y., May 16.—Cornell won the annual field track meet from the University of Pennsylvania.

Southampton, Eng., May 16.—The famous yacht, Princess Alice, formerly owned by the prince of Monaco and used by him in his deep sea researches, has been purchased by Lord Inverclyde, who will take a party of friends on her to San Francisco for the opening of the Panama-Pacific international exposition.

Hits Bob With Stake.

"There was a stake lying near the fence and I made a jump for it. He was still hitting me when I struck him over the head with the stake. He fell down and said: 'Oh! Oh! Oh!'"

"Then I hit him some more and he lay still. I started into the house when Mary came to the door and grabbed my left arm."

Kills the Two Women.

ASKS WILSON TO SUPPRESS MINE STRIFE

Legislature of Colorado Makes Further Appeal to the President.

WANTSTROOPSTO STAY

Senate Defeats Resolution Call- ing Upon Governor Am- mons to Resign.

Denver, Colo., May 16.—The senate defeated a resolution asking Governor Ammons to resign.

The house and senate adopted the report of the third conference committee on the military bond issue bill. It carries the emergency clause, which guarantees its going into immediate effect. The measure provides for a million dollar bond issue to pay expenses of the state guard "which have been and may be incurred."

The matter of determining whether detectives and mine guards under the pay of corporations who enlisted in the militia shall also receive military pay, is left to the board having charge of the expenditures.

Late yesterday the joint session adopted a memorial addressed to President Wilson, requesting him to intervene further in the strike situation by such methods as he considers best and asking that the troops be retained in the strike zone until a settlement of the trouble has been effected.

Strikers Shot Escaping.

Denver, Colo., May 16.—The three Ludlow strikers, killed on the night of April 20, were shot while running from the military lines toward the burning tent colony, directly in the line of fire between the militia and strikers, according to the testimony of militiamen yesterday at the trial of Maj. Patrick J. Hamrock, before the general court martial. The strikers had been taken prisoners, the witness said and tried to escape when the soldiers sought cover under fire.

The strikers again have refused to offer any evidence at the court martial.

Bonds for Accused.

Denver, Colo., May 16.—Announcement was made at district headquarters of the United Mine Workers here late yesterday, that arrangements had been made for \$3,000 bond each for the men charged with murder in first degree in indictments returned by the Boulder county grand jury and that bonds aggregating \$68,000 for 56 other persons on charges of conspiracy to murder and conspiracy to attempt to murder had been arranged.

Strike Breakers Come.

Trinidad, Colo., May 16.—Col. James Lockett, commander of the federal forces in this district of Colorado, spent the day adjusting cases growing out of the order barring imported miners. Eight men were allowed to work at the Oakdale mine and 16 were barred. At the Primero mine, one of the five were permitted to work.

Colonel Lockett ruled that men who entered the strike district on representations by employees of mining companies are of the prohibited class.

BRYAN CITED FOR TOLLS EXEMPTION

Senator Walsh Recalls Position Taken by Secretary at Baltimore Convention.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The statement that Secretary Bryan deliberately approved the tolls exemption plank in the democratic platform as a member of the committee on resolutions which prepared the platform was made in the senate today by Walsh of Montana, secretary of the sub-committee.

Walsh declared that the open repudiation of the solemn covenant by a political party would cause all to recoil from it with horror were it proposed by any other than the president of the United States.

"For myself its moral aspect assumes no different hue because he commends it," added the senator. As a substitute for the repeal bill, Walsh urged the adoption of former President Taft's proposal to submit the controversy to the supreme court.

Help Pastor Sue Wife.

Salem, Ore., May 16.—In seeking a divorce, Rev. H. E. Marshall has obtained the backing of the First Baptist congregation, of which he is pastor. Inhuman treatment was the charge he brought against his wife. The suit evoked criticisms and then the congregation adopted a formal resolution giving "unanimously our indorsement of his conduct."

Chief of the 4,000 Red Cross Nurses



Miss Jane Delano.

Miss Jane Delano is the efficient head of the four thousand Red Cross trained nurses, some of whom have already been ordered to Mexico. Miss Delano serves without any pay and her official title is "chairman of the national committee on Red Cross nursing service." She is a graduate of Bellevue hospital, New York City, and has many times exhibited the efficiency of her corps in times of disaster. The present nursing service is almost entirely due to her efforts.

SHEEP AND WOOL MEN TO CONFER

Secretary of Agriculture Calls Meeting at Washington June 2, 3 and 4.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The secretary of agriculture has issued a call for a public conference of persons interested in the sheep and wool industry, to be held in Washington, June 2, 3 and 4. Among the topics suggested by the secretary for discussion are the manufacturing value of American wools; the improvement of farm and ranch methods of handling wool; the possible adaptation of foreign methods to American conditions; the standardization of the wool clip, and the prevention of damage by dogs and predatory animals.

The high quality of American wools, when properly put up, is generally recognized by our manufacturers, but so little attention is paid to the care of American wool at shearing time, that it usually sells for less than its real value, and frequently suffers by comparison with foreign wool. Such practices as the indiscriminate sacking of wool regardless of kind or condition, the use of improper twines, and the use of insoluble paint for marking sheep, cause really unnecessary expense and loss in manufacturing, which has been variously estimated at from 5 to 20 per cent of the original value of the wool, and for which the producer must pay by being compelled to accept a reduced price.

The damage done the sheep industry by predatory animals in the western range states, and by dogs in the farm states, will be a very important subject for discussion at the conference. In some western states the number of predatory animals appears to be increasing in spite of growing settlements, causing a loss of 10 per cent of the sheep and lambs in some sections. Dogs in farm states cause regular losses among flocks of sheep, amounting in some cases to complete extermination. There is no doubt that the lack of control of dogs in farm states is the principal hindrance to the development of the sheep industry in those regions, and a survey of this situation recently made by the department or agriculture, indicates that if there were proper control of dogs, the sheep population of the farm states could be doubled, without displacing any other animals on farms. The effect of such an increase on the country's meat supply would be pronounced, as sheep in farm states are raised principally as meat producers.

Various agencies have been for some time engaged in propaganda work to effect an improvement in wool handling and sheep husbandry, and this conference is called by the secretary of agriculture to coordinate such efforts, and give an opportunity for the formation of policies of national scope, which will tend to place the sheep and wool industry on a more stable basis.

Much interest has already been manifested, and a large attendance of representative wool manufacturers, sheep breeders, manufacturers and others interested in the sheep industry, is expected.

The animal husbandry division of the bureau of animal industry has made an educational collection of wools and wool fabrics, which shows

MEXICANS TO SIT AT PEACE MEET ARRIVE

Niagara Falls Delegates Are Officially Received at Washington.

PLANS BEING HURRIED

Various Groups Are to Leave for Conference Sunday Night or Monday.

New York, May 16.—The steamship Panaman, recently chartered by the war department, sailed from Brooklyn for Galveston carrying ammunition, chiefly shells for field pieces and small arms, and foods for troops. Fourteen ordnance experts from Springfield arsenal were passengers.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—Plans for the assembling of the mediators, delegates and other officials at Niagara Falls for peace negotiations went forward rapidly today. Minister Naon of Argentina will leave tomorrow night to begin preliminary arrangements at Niagara Falls Monday. Ambassador De Gama of Brazil and Minister Suarez will follow, probably Monday. Departure of the American representatives is dependent somewhat on the plans of the Mexican delegates, who are expected to arrive at the capital this afternoon, but probably the various groups will get away Sunday night or Monday.

The three Mexican delegates to the Niagara Falls peace conference, accompanied by a staff of secretaries, clerks and several ladies, arrived here shortly after 1 o'clock. They were accompanied by S. H. Hanks, representing the American state department, and were met by the Spanish ambassador.

For 15 minutes after arrival station platform was packed by a crowd to see the distinguished Mexicans. All participants in the mediation conference will meet for the first time at a dinner given tonight by the Spanish ambassador in honor of the arriving Mexican delegates.

Doster Not Yet Found.

The state department declared all efforts to locate Edward Doster, an American newspaper man, had so far been fruitless, but that continued effort would be made by Senor Cardoso. The Mexican federals have evacuated Monclova, in Coahuila, and 600 constitutionalists have taken possession of the town. Before evacuating, the federals destroyed practically all American property in Monclova.

No Change in Mexico City.

Vera Cruz, Mexico, May 16.—Oliver Hueffer, correspondent of the London Daily Express and bearer of a British passport, arrived here today on a refugee train with 29 Americans. Hueffer was twice arrested in the capital on the allegation that he was a "notorious American spy." After his last release he received an order of expulsion. Edward Doster, an American correspondent, arrested several times and after his release was ordered to report daily to the police, which he failed to do, could not be located in the capital. Conditions in the capital have not changed so far as apparent on the surface, said Hueffer.

Mexican newspapers publish a report that the country about Puebla is overrun with constitutionalists and the city is virtually in a state of siege. The newspapers discredit the report that Huerta is preparing to make a last stand at Puebla, which is 150 miles south of the capital.

the advantages of proper preparation of wool for market, and market requirements. This collection will be on exhibition during the conference.

CAPITAL UNVEILS BARRY MEMORIAL

Thousands of Irish-Americans Gather at Washington for the Ceremonies.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—Thousands of Irish-Americans are already here and more are arriving on every train for the unveiling today of a memorial statue to Commodore John Barry of revolutionary fame. The number of visitors is estimated at 20,000. President Wilson will view a military and civic parade and deliver a brief address at the unveiling. Practically all members of the cabinet, the diplomatic corps, members of the supreme court and congress planned to witness the ceremonies. The house agreed to adjourn at 2 o'clock.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Fair tonight and Sunday; slowly rising temperature; moderate winds; mostly southerly.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 50; highest yesterday 65; lowest last night 47.

Precipitation in 24 hours none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 34; at 7 a. m. 40.

Stage of river 8.4; no change in 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.