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This is Not a Formal Part of Pending Treaty of Trade and Commerce Correspondence Makes it Plain.

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PUZZLE PICTURE—GUESS WHAT HE'S READING!

GEN. BONILLA WITHDRAWS AS A CANDIDATE

Puerto, Cortez, Feb. 24.—General Manuel Bonilla, the leader of the revolutionary movement, has withdrawn formally as a candidate for the provisional presidency of Honduras, and there is prospect of an early agreement with the government.

The choice of a temporary successor to President Barria may be forced upon Thomas C. Dawson, the American representative at the conference. Negotiations between the factions were resumed on board the cruiser Tacoma yesterday.

A telegram from Bonilla was read in which the revolutionary chief announced his withdrawal of his candidacy for provisional president. He suggested for temporary president the names of Dr. Membrane, the Bonilla enemy; Gusto Davila, a step brother of the president, and Francisco Bertrand, General Rosales, the Davila representative, named Antonio Lazlo Arzobispo, Daniel Forin and Senor Corvoza.

Neither list was acceptable to the opposing side and General Rosales then suggested that Mr. Dawson select a president from the six names. Dr. Membrane replied that the revolutionary party would be glad to have the American commissioner choose a man.

Railroad Men Are Up In Arms Over Rate Decision

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, and head of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, in a statement given out today, expressed great surprise at the decision of the interstate commerce commission. He says there will be a curtailment of railroad expenditures and states that "if the result shall be to bring about a general reduction in wages and a cut in purchasing new material and supplies, in the end the railroads will suffer no more than the general public."

"How is the necessary curtailment of railroad expenditures which must result for the time being will affect the general business of the country, I cannot foretell. It is probable the railroads have been extravagant in their expenditures. They could possibly have limited the cost of terminals; but every city in the land was demanding of the railroads that their terminal facilities should not alone be adequate to meet transportation problems, but should be of a character ornamental and attractive."

Underwood Talks. New York, Feb. 24.—"This interstate commerce commission decision is going to cost the public dearly," asserted President Underwood, of the Erie Railway today. "Railroads will not buy equipment except where need is urgent. Just as few men will be given employment as are absolutely required."

Big Meeting Called. New York, Feb. 24.—A meeting of the executive officers and general counsel of the railroads in the official classification territory has been called for Monday in this city to determine what action shall be taken over the decision of the interstate commerce commission in the freight rate cases. President Mudge Talks. Chicago, Feb. 24.—The interstate commerce commission's decision against the increase of freight rates was designated a "negative proposal" by one which would show its effect in a way that would not be apparent to the general public—by President Mudge, of the Rock Island Railroad system.

Dowd Introduces Bill Authorizing Bond Issue Here

Special to The News. Raleigh, Feb. 24.—In the house Speaker Dowd introduced bills to amend the charter of Charlotte; to allow Charlotte to issue bonds for severance schools and the auditorium. Also to amend the laws of 1901 and 1902 and provide for the support of the Charlotte Carnegie library.

The committee bill for changing congressional districts were introduced in the house by Roberts, of Buncombe. It transfers Catawba from the ninth to the eighth and Wilkes from the eighth to the seventh, placing Hoke in the seventh and Avery in the ninth. Senator Martin introduced a duplicate bill in the senate.

The senate made Holgood's bill for a state primary law a special order for next Tuesday. Will Break Strike of Negroes. By Associated Press. Charleston, S. C., Feb. 24.—Several hundred Italian laborers will arrive here by Tuesday to break the strike of negroes at the phosphate plants in the suburbs, the strikers demanding an increase of wages amounting to thirty-three per cent. The imported labor will be retained as the Italians have given satisfaction elsewhere. The various companies are determined to resist to the end the demands by the negroes.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 24.—Larus Brothers tobacco factory, who have a contract for U. S. Navy and Williams & Reuhling tobacco factory, who have a contract for German army are burning. Others are in danger. Prisoners, three of them murderers, were rushed from nearby jail. Hundreds of women have narrow escape and others are thought to be in the ruins.

Stocks Take Tumble Following Freight Rate Decision

Gov. Blease Riles Organized Labor

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 24.—The Columbia State today, says: "Whereas, the governor of this state has, by the exercise of his veto power, vetoed the appropriation for the purpose of employing factory inspectors, thereby practically nullifying the law and depriving the workers of the protection previously afforded them; "Therefore be it resolved, That this body put itself on record as being opposed to this policy of the governor, and condemning any action tending to deprive the workers of their rights and the protection of just and necessary laws."

This resolution condemning the action of Gov. Blease in vetoing the appropriation for the factory inspectors, was adopted by the City Federation of Trades and will be sent today to Gov. Blease.

H. J. Hardy, secretary of the city Federation of Trades, went to see Gov. Blease several days ago concerning the factory inspection law. Gov. Blease, according to Mr. Hardy and Senator Weston, got mad and slapped organized labor in the face. That is the statement made.

Gov. Blease said yesterday that he knew more about the condition of the factory people and their needs than any representative of a large organization. Mr. Hardy said that Gov. Blease "got hot under the collar."

E. H. Weston, senator from Richland county, accompanied Mr. Hardy on his visit to Gov. Blease for the purpose of introducing him. Senator Weston desired to confer with Gov. Blease to see if some provision could not be made for the enforcement of the factory inspection law.

Senator Weston and Mr. Hardy said that Gov. Blease stated that he would veto any measure tending to regulate the hours of the laboring man. When Gov. Blease was asked as to the law regulating the hours of women in stores he is reported to have stated to Senator Weston and Mr. Hardy that the women might get out and hunt other employment.

Educators In Session at Mobile

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 24.—Our Educational Advance and Improvement Over the Past," was the principal subject discussed at the second day's session of the National Educational Association, department of superintendence, here today. An increased attendance was shown.

The speakers were Charles E. Chadsey, superintendent of schools of Denver, Col.; Charles P. Cary, of Madison, Wis.; Elmer Brown, United States commissioner of education; Charles S. Foos, superintendent of schools of Reading, Pa.; and M. L. Britz, superintendent of public instruction of Georgia.

The nominating report was read by the committee on nominations and adopted by the convention: Charles E. Chadsey, Denver, Col. president; O. J. Kern, Winnebago county, Illinois, first vice-president; H. J. Willingham, superintendent of public instruction of Alabama, third vice-president; and Hiram Undergrad, bureau of education, Washington, D. C.

Steamer And Passengers Lost. By Associated Press. Constantinople, Feb. 24.—A local newspaper reports the Turkish steamer or Hovies filled with Moslem pilgrims was burned at sea. Not one of the passengers and crew escaped death. Official confirmation of the report is lacking.

Adopt Commission Form. By Associated Press. Amarillo, Tex., Feb. 24.—The voters of this city yesterday adopted the commission form of government.

Provide for Recall. By Associated Press. Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 24.—The senate last night passed by a vote of 36 to 4 the Gates' constitutional amendment for the recall of all elective officers.

Decision of Interstate Commerce Commission Against Increase in Freight Rates Had Effect of Staring Decline Movement in Stocks.

London Exchange Records Heavy Slump in Various Railroad Stocks—Wall Street Similarly Affected—Industrials Also Droop.

By Associated Press. New York, Feb. 24.—Private advices from abroad indicated a condition approaching demoralization existing in the American department of the London stock exchange today. Sales of American securities there, clearing for New York accounts, are reported to have aggregated over 400,000 shares.

This is said to be the largest day's business in our stocks abroad since the Venezuelan panic of 1895. During the morning session here, especially at the opening, a great deal of stock was sold at a price offered.

The market became less active before noon. Prices were in most instances a point above the opening level marks.

Reflected Its Opinion. New York, Feb. 24.—The stock market today reflected its opinion of the interstate commerce commission's decision against increased freight rates by heavy sales at sharply declining prices from 2 to 4 points from the closing of last night. Selling began early in the London market where heavy declines were recorded, presaging a weak opening on the local exchange.

The security values of some of the Western railroad stocks showed average losses of 1 point from yesterday. Southern Pacific was off 3 1/4 at the opening. Northern Pacific slumped 4 points; St. Paul and Union Pacific dropped 4 1/2, while Atchafalpa sold at 102 1/2, a decline of 4 1/2 points.

Industrials were also affected, it being contended by some leaders that the railroads would not be very heavy purchasers of material. The Steel common sold off 3 1/2 points, Amalgamated Copper was off 2 1/8. Bears took advantage of the situation and forced declines wherever weak spots were found.

There were evidences of support and a fair volume of short covering. Reading was one of the weakest stocks on the list, showing a decline of 6 5/8 points while Great Northern preferred sold at 122, a slump of 7 1/8.

Effect on London Exchange. London, Feb. 24.—The decision of the interstate commerce commission against the proposed raising of freight rates in the official classification and the Western traffic association territory of the United States caused a shock in the American section of the stock exchange today. A run of selling orders from Wall Street was the signal for a somewhat wild slump in prices from 2 to 3 points below yesterday's closing.

In the first hour today both local traders and continental representatives threw out their stocks. The covering set in and prices picked up from 1 to 3 points, the market anxiously awaiting the Wall Street opening.

At noon the tone was steadier with values from 2 1/2 to 5 points lower. Yesterday's closing and today's noon prices with the changes follow:

Stocks	Yesterday	Today's noon	Off
Santa Fe	109 5/8	106 5/8	2 3/4
C. M. & St. P.	130 1/2	124 1/2	6
Erie 1st pd.	52 7/8	48	4 7/8
Ill. Cent.	119	117	2
L. & N.	159 1/2	146	13 1/2
N. Y. C.	115	113	2
Penn. R.	65 3/4	63	2 3/4
Reading	81 3/4	74	7 3/4
S. P.	122 1/8	117 3/4	4 3/8
U. P.	184 1/8	176	8 1/8
U. S. S.	83 1/8	77 1/2	5 3/8

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Little Hope of Rescuing Alve Men Entombed In Nevada Mine--Flames Raging

By Associated Press. Tonopah, Nev., Feb. 24.—At 2 o'clock this morning the rescue party searching for the miners entombed in the burning Belmont mine was within sixty feet of the seat of the fire. Mine officials reported that they would reach the fire in a short time.

All night the rescuers labored to drive back the stifling flames. After they had come within 300 feet of the workers were forced back. Three of them were overcome by gas and were taken to a hospital. It is conceded there is no hope of finding the entombed men alive. The names of those known to be in the mine are: BOB FRAZIER, JOHN BURKE, shift boss. MIKE HANNIGAN. JACK MEAN. WILLIAM MURPHY.

CITY ALMOST RUIN-ED BY FLAMES.

Port au Prince, Hayti, Feb. 24.—The city of Aux Cayes has almost been destroyed by fire. The flames broke out yesterday and spread rapidly throughout the town. The monetary loss is heavy and considerable suffering is caused.

The fire burned all night. Aux Cayes has a population of about 25,000.

MAN HELD AS TRAIN ROBBER LODGED IN JAIL

Gainesville, Ga., Feb. 24.—George Anderson, alleged leader of the band which on Saturday morning held up Southern passenger train No. 26 near here, was committed to jail here this morning by Judge Sims in default of \$10,000 bail. Charles Hunter and James Hanford, other bandits who have confessed their part in the robbery, waited the preliminary examination. Railway officials have wired the authorities at Ball Ground, Ga., to release two men held there as suspects.

Trousers Skirt Starts Trouble

Paris, Feb. 24.—Paris has been shocked. The French capital, home of almost anything and everything "ultra" in fashions, has become cropper over the new trousers skirt. By some this feminine contraption of apparel has been designated as the "Haven Scarem."

Paris blushed today that blush of modesty turned into the flush of anger. A young woman, attired in the new mode, walking along the avenue de l'Opera—the avenue de l'Opera mind you—was actually seized by a mob of disapproving men until the police appeared and helped her escape in an automobile.

Disastrous Railroad Wreck In Chile -- Fifty Persons Were Killed or Injured

By Associated Press. Valparaiso, Chile, Feb. 24.—A railroad train jumped the tracks on a curve near the American Braden copper mines today and plunged into a ravine below. Fifty persons were killed or wounded. Several Americans are among the dead.

FRUIT CROP DAMAGED.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 24.—A killing frost at and around Macon this morning, and this probably means a great deal of damage to the fruit. It was the killing frost that had been most feared by the orchard owners.

McCall Bill Reported to Senate

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 24.—The McCall bill to carry out the provisions of the Canadian reciprocity agreement was reported to the senate today from the committee on finance. The report was "without recommendation," the committee by a vote of 6 to 7 refusing to report either favorably or adversely.

Want Vote On Lorimer Case

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 24.—Determination to get a vote before adjournment was expressed today by the friends of Senator Lorimer, who were on hand in force in the senate chamber at the beginning of the session.

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Slides Of Earth Continue On The Panama Canal

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 24.—Slides of earth from the heights above Celebra cut on the Panama canal are continuing. The slide which occurred February opposite the Y. M. C. A. club house at Celebra carried 550,000 cubic yards of loose earth into the cut, covering a steam shovel, a coal train with its locomotive and two trains of earth dumping cars.

The canal record states, however, that all slides since last July do not exceed the total of 6,104,000 cubic yards allowed for in the revised estimates. nor will the added excavation increase the estimate of cost of excavation in the central division made in October 1908.

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