

THE WEATHER

Local thunder showers Sunday, and probably Monday; except fair Sunday near coast.

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INSPECTORS KILL MEXICAN OFFICER

Crossed International Bridge and Fired on Americans.

U.S. TROOPS HASTEN TO SCENE

Forces Ordered to Bridge After the Killing of Rostran, 1,000 Mexicans Gathered on Mexican Side—Feeling Bitter

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 6.—Lieutenant F. A. Costa, an official in General Salazar's Federal command at Juarez, crossed the Stanton street international bridge this afternoon and was killed by United States Customs Inspector T. F. Jonah, and Immigration Inspector Thomas Heyfron, after he had opened fire on them with a rifle.

He was shot through the mouth and arm, and his horse, from which he had dismounted, was shot through the side. The American officers were uninjured. Before crossing the bridge the Mexican had remarked that he was "going to kill a gringo." Heyfron was standing at the American end of the bridge when Acosta first opened fire at him. He fired back, using an automatic pistol. Jonah hastened to his assistance and began firing at the Mexican. The Mexican officer was within 30 feet of the American before he was killed.

FIRE SWEEPED CITY APPEALS FOR AID

Thousands in Acute State of Destitution at Hot Springs.

PROPERTY LOSS SIX MILLION

Cry of Suffering Humanity Makes the Need for Assistance Imperative and Immediate—State Militia on the Scene.

Hot Springs, Ark., Sept. 6.—Hot Springs, fire swept, six million dollars of its property destroyed, and 2,500 of its people homeless, today issued the following:

"While we do not wish to be placed in the attitude of asking for outside assistance, the cry of suffering humanity suggests the propriety of accepting any assistance that may be offered by a generous public. Thousands of people have been rendered penniless and homeless. The destitution is acute, and the need of assistance is imperative and immediate. Ordinarily, we could take care of our local citizens in a disaster of this kind, but there are hundreds of citizens from other States thrown on our bounty. This makes our burden great indeed."

The appeal was authorized by a committee composed of city officials and citizens. M. A. Elsie, a prominent citizen, was chosen treasurer. The city, exhausted in fighting the conflagration which originated Friday afternoon in a negro cabin, and burned over an area of 200 acres, nevertheless devoted the day to relief measures for the homeless.

Three thousand dollars, subscribed at a mass meeting in the forenoon, was devoted to their pressing needs. In the afternoon the city council canvassed the situation and decided to issue an appeal for aid. Tonight two companies of State troops, one from Conway and the other from Newton, N. C., Sept. 6. The city council on order of Governor Hays, to aid in policing the place. There has been no tension, but city officials, believing the presence of the militia might help in the situation, asked for the troops.

Latest estimates of the loss vary but little from the earlier figures—\$6,000,000. The cotton, which would have partially resumed a lighting service, and with mule-drawn cars, is furnishing transportation.

THAW REGRETS THE ARREST OF JEROME

Thinks it Was a Good Joke, But Believes it Was a Mistake

DENIES INSTIGATING ARREST

In Statement, Fugitive Declares He Would Have Been Glad to Furnish Bond for His Old Prosecutor.

Coaticook, Que., Sept. 6.—"Harry Kendall Thaw regrets that William Travers Jerome was arrested in Coaticook yesterday, charged with gambling, and denies that he or his lawyers instigated the arrest. Moreover, Thaw would have been glad to furnish Jerome's \$500 bond."

This was the statement made by Thaw today as given out by Andre Rousseau, the hotel proprietor who serves the fugitive's meals, and who coincidentally was one of Jerome's bondsmen.

"Thaw thinks the Jerome arrest was a good joke, but a mistake," said Rousseau. "He assured me that if by any chance I lost anything as bondsman, he would make it good to me. Of course, I didn't accept the offer, because I don't believe the bail will be forfeited."

Mr. Jerome was not here today to hear Thaw's expressions of good will. He went to Norton Mills, Vermont, yesterday, soon after he was released on bail, and today, according to the understanding here, he took a train for Montreal to prepare for the court battle when Thaw is brought before the King's bench on a writ of habeas corpus yesterday.

Specially deputized to get Thaw back to the Matteawan Asylum, Mr. Jerome has met with victory, then defeat. At Sherbrooke, he ousted Thaw from jail on a writ of habeas corpus, only to meet with reverses here, when Thaw's lawyers tied the immigration authorities' hands. They did this not only by appealing from the deportation order, but by serving the Montreal writ, which may develop a court fight of weeks' duration.

Most of Thaw's lawyers are in... one representing ready for the struggle before the King's bench, and only one of the many counsel, Charles D. White, saw the prisoner today.

It is understood here tonight that Jerome's case had been called to the attention of the Minister of Justice, and that counsel looked for a quashing of the charge.

Tonorrow will mark Thaw's third Sunday in Canada. Since Wednesday evening last he has been but nine miles from the Vermont border, but figuratively speaking, he was tonight, in view of the procedure yet to come, perhaps further from Matteawan than at any time since his escape.

AID AMERICANS TO LEAVE DANGER ZONE

Uncle Sam to Furnish First-Class Transportation Out of Mexico.

COST OF TICKETS SECONDARY

Citizens Receiving Transportation Expected to Reimburse Government Only if Able—General Exodus Expected

Washington, Sept. 6.—The United States government today broadened powers of its consular representatives in Mexico to such a degree that it is believed there will be no further obstacle to a more general withdrawal of American citizens from the danger zones of the southern republic.

American consuls in Mexico, who previously had been instructed to furnish first-class transportation to any who desired it, on condition that they later would reimburse the State Department, today received supplementary instructions to give Americans whatever transportation they desired, and they would be expected to reimburse the government only if they were able, and at their convenience. The adoption of this policy resulted from the possibility that many Americans would needlessly linger in the trouble-torn districts, unless every facility for their departure was afforded.

Huerta Offers Assistance

Some Washington officials commented on Huerta's irregular declaration that if the American government was reluctant to give the refugees first-class transportation, he gladly would reimburse the officials, instead of resenting the statement, regarded it as an act of generosity, and remarked that they hoped Senator Huerta's beneficence would be extended to repay Americans and other foreigners for the great losses their investments had sustained through the chaotic conditions resulting from the Huerta's irregular assumption of governmental power.

No New Developments

There was no change today in the Mexican situation. No messages of Democratic support, except for the one from John Lind at Vera Cruz, or Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires at Mexico City.

It is considered most likely that developments will await the arrival here next week of Senor DeZamacona, who is expected to carry forward here the negotiations for a peaceful settlement of the differences in Mexico.

Mr. Casey's face is badly disfigured and he received several other ugly wounds. The police have been notified and are hot on the trail of the culprits.

Edison Ill. Discontinues Motor Trip.



New York, Sept. 6.—Grave fears are expressed here over reports from Maine to the effect that Thomas Edison, the wizard of electricity, has discontinued his auto trip through Maine, and is now confined in his hotel in Portland as the result of a slight attack of illness. Friends say that the health of Mr. Edison, who is 86 years old, has been falling for some time, and it was this fact that caused him to take the trip from his laboratory.

STORM'S DAMAGE FIVE MILLIONS

Careful Estimate of Loss of Crops and Property in Three Counties.

ONLY TWO REPORTED KILLED

Restored Communication in Devastated District Brings Reports from All Exposed Points—Damage Not Exaggerated

(Special Star Telegram.)

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MEXICANS RESENT KILLING

Troops of the 19th Cavalry Ordered to the Bridge Following the Shooting.

General Hugh L. Scott, Commander of United States Troops, Ordered all Troops to be Prepared for Movement to El Paso from Fort Bliss in Case of Trouble.

Tonight a detachment of cavalry was stationed at both international bridges and army officers and troops have been ordered to remain at quarters in case of an outbreak among the Mexicans.

A bitter feeling against Americans was manifested in Juarez by Salazar's Federal troops following the shooting.

Americans Tell of Inult

L. Oleson, of El Paso, crossed to the Mexican side with a party of American men and women and reported the investigation of the shooting. A Federal officer drew his pistol and threatened to shoot. Oleson stated that the American women were insulted by the Mexican officer. They escaped injury by putting the automobile at full speed, and hurrying to the streets. They stated that several Mexican soldiers threatened them and shook their fists at them as they were going through the streets of Juarez. Other Americans also were threatened.

Inspector of Mexican Consulates M. E. Diebold, of El Paso, is conducting an investigation of the shooting. American officers placed Heyfron and Jonah under arrest after the killing. They were released on \$1,000 bonds.

Mexican officers at Juarez tried to stop Lieutenant Acosta from crossing the bridge before his invasion, but he threatened to shoot any one who interfered with him.

The Mexican officers said he had been drinking and after he was killed a bottle of Mexican whiskey was found in his saddle bag.

Acosta came to Juarez from Chihuahua with General Salazar's troops a few days ago.

The body is being held in El Paso. Friends of Acosta in Juarez have asked permission to remove it to Juarez.

BROKE TOBACCO RECORDS

Hundred Thousand Dollars' Worth of Weed Sold in Kingston Friday

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Immense sales on the tobacco market here yesterday broke all previous records for Kingston. A hundred thousand dollars changed hands and 750,000 pounds of the golden product were brought here for the day's sales. A third of this could not be handled, and today the market is in operation to dispose of the 250,000 pounds left. It is the first time in ten years that sales have been conducted here on a Saturday.

Every foot of available space of the warehouses in the northern end of the city was utilized, and many wagon loads were not touched. Carloads of the weed, including a train over one line, were not opened. Indications mean before pointed to a tremendous sale, and tobaccoists prepared so far as possible during Thursday night for the record-breaking event. Almost a continuous stream of wagons and carts loaded with tobacco poured into the city from Thursday afternoon all through the night and up to the hour of beginning the sales.

The warehouses were filled to overflowing with their teams so that the lively stables downtown were called upon to take care of more horses and wagons than ever seen in Kingston before, while the several thousand farmers who came here the evening before and in the wee sma' hours overflowed the lodging houses and slept upon the benches or spent the night in wakefulness.

The agreement of the tobaccoists to continue the sales today prevented a "block" sale, which would have meant working far into the night. The decision to continue was seen to be necessary early in the day. The hardest worked people here yesterday were the auctioneers. For many hours these men sold around 250 pines an hour each. Notwithstanding the heavy breaks the bidding was spirited and there was no depression.

The nearest approach to the new record established yesterday was the opening sale of 1902, when 486,000 pounds, or about 14,000 less than yesterday were sold. The prices then were not as good as now. The local market had been established but seven years then.

ATTACKED WRONG WHITE MAN.

John Casey Severely Cut by Two Negroes

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Sept. 6.—Tonight about 9 o'clock two negro thugs attacked Mr. John Casey, a young mechanic, severely cutting him with a knife, mistaking him for another white man who had emptied a revolver at them the night before, while they were attempting to rob a house for the purpose of robbery.

No doubt Casey would have been carved to death but for the fact that one of the negroes during the tussle, got a full view of his face and so they had the wrong man, and persuaded his companion to cease operations with his knife.

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DEPOSITS SHOW DECREASE

Comptroller of the Currency Issues Preliminary Statement

Washington, Sept. 6.—Individual deposits in National Banks of the United States decreased \$190,000,000 between June 4th, and August 9th. A provision designated as retaliation against Canada for wood pulp restrictions, was amended to make sure the free importation of all leathers. Many other minor details were disposed of.

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More on call; nominal; no loans. Flour steady. Wheat steady. Corn firm. Rosin quiet. Turpentine steady. Spot cotton quiet; middling upland 12.75; gulf 13.00. No sales.

SWIFT WORK ON TARIFF BILL

Administration Leaders Unable to Secure Vote on the Measure Before Adjournment—Final Vote Tomorrow

Washington, Sept. 6.—Great progress was made in the Senate today on the tariff bill, but administration leaders found it impossible to secure a vote on the measure before adjournment. There was a strong probability of a final vote Monday night.

It was made almost a certainty today that the Democratic radical revision bill would be passed as it now is framed after four months of discussion in the Senate. Confident of solid Democratic support, except for the votes of Senators Ransdell and Thornton, of Louisiana, who bolted free trade, the Democratic leaders were given additional ground today to hope for a party harmony had been remoted.

A few days ago when the vote of a Democratic Senator was reported to be in doubt, one of the leading supporters of the administration asserted it made no difference what his colleague did, the party had assurances of support from the minority. Some of the leaders tonight predicted a party harmony had been remoted.

An important development of the day was the striking from the bill, by order of the Finance committee, of the bill levying duty on wood pulp, a provision designated as retaliation against Canada for wood pulp restrictions. The free leather paragraph was amended to make sure the free importation of all leathers. Many other minor details were disposed of.

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Senator Bristow gave notice he would again offer on the floor of the Senate his amendment for a graded tax running up to over ten per cent on incomes above \$100,000.

BANANA TAX WAS LOADED

Little Spark of Tariff on Tropical Product Kindles Big Blaze in Southern Mill Circles—House May Stop It

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Sept. 6.—The tax of five cents per bunch on bananas inserted in the tariff bill by the Senate, which promises to work great hardship on the Southern cotton goods manufacturers, who may be the victims of retaliatory measures by the Central American banana districts, will in all probability be stricken out of the House members when the bill goes to conference.

Quiet a number of Congressmen from the cotton States today signified their intention of making a great effort to strike out the objectionable item, following the receipt of news that the State Department had received protests from Central American countries against the tax (with the added inference that the trade of those countries with the United States in cotton goods will be greatly affected).

The publication of the receipt of the protest by the State Department resulted in hundreds of telegrams being sent to Congressmen representing cotton mill States today urging them to strike out the objectionable item.

Million of Revenue.

The banana tax was inserted by the Senate after the bill left the House, merely as a revenue producer, it being calculated to bring in one million dollars annually.

The State Department will make an investigation to learn if the banana tax is a real menace to the cotton goods manufacturers of this country and probably turn over its finding to Congress. If investigation discloses that there is a real menace in the imposition of the banana tax, there is little doubt it will be stricken out, as it is not intended as a protection to the American banana growers, and the revenue contemplated can be raised from some other source without injury to our own manufacturers.

Parker R. Anderson, Washington correspondent, left tonight for Norfolk to be the guest for the next week on the private yacht of George Boutwell, president of the Virginia Pines Association. At the end of that time he will make a trip through North Carolina.

New Postmaster.

The following fourth class postmasters were appointed today: Talmadge H. Rousseau, Falcon, Cumberland county; Allen H. Miller, Frank Avery county; Shiver O. McCraw, Mooreboro, Cleveland county; and Julius L. Bnush, Withop, Gaston county.

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SUPPRESS LICENTIOUS PLAYS

Police to Bar Scenes in Dramas Depicting Disorderly Houses

New York, Sept. 6.—The New York police today took active measures to suppress two plays which lay their scenes in disorderly houses. Police Commissioner Waldo applied to the magistrate for warrants for the arrest of the makers of these dramas on the ground that they were wounding to a low standard of morals.

The penalty for the offenses charged by the police is \$500 fine, or a year's imprisonment or both.

GIANT FLYWHEEL BURSTS

One Negro Laborer Killed and Three Others Injured

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 6.—A thirty-foot flywheel went to pieces in the engine room of the Liberty Flouring Mills here late today. Pieces of the wheel went through the walls and through the roof, which laborers were at work. One negro was killed and three others injured.

KNOXVILLE THE WINNER

Johnson City Defeated in Third Game of Post-Season Series

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 6.—Knoxville defeated Johnson City in the third game of the post-season pennant series today by a score of four to one. Knoxville now has won two of the necessary four games. Three games are scheduled for Johnson City beginning Monday.

Kryptok Lenses

They combine two pairs in one. Two clear crystal lenses are fused into one—far vision at top—near vision at bottom. No seams. Come in and let us show you. Dr. Vineberg, the Eye Specialist, Masonic Temple. Eyes tested free.—Advertisement.

M'IVER FUNERAL TOMORROW

Remains of Prominent Sanford Lawyer Arrive from Rochester Today

(Special Star Telegram.)

Sanford, N. C., Sept. 6.—The remains of the late Duncan E. McIver, who died in Rochester, Minn., Friday, are expected to arrive here Sunday morning. The funeral services will be held here Monday morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, Rev. P. D. Thomas, assisted by Rev. M. D. McNeill, of Cameron, a former pastor, and Rev. H. E. Spence, of the Methodist church. Interment will be in Buffalo cemetery.

ANNUAL REUNION OF VETS

Companies B and E Will Meet at Magnolia Next Thursday

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Magnolia, N. C., Sept. 6.—The annual reunion of Companies B and E will be held at Magnolia next Thursday the 11th. These companies were composed of men from New Hanover (now Pender) and Duplin counties. The reunions are held at Burgaw, Wallace, Teachey's, Rose Wagon and Magnolia, and making the circuit every five years. This is Magnolia's time. The ranks are getting very thin, several of the veterans of the companies having answered the final roll call the past year.