

THE NICARAGUAN SITUATION IS REBORN AS TENSE TODAY

Much Depends Upon the Means Adopted by Americans in Effort to Blow up Transports of the Government.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT WITHHELD ITS INFORMATION

Unless Cannon and Grace Were Serving as Spies There is No Doubt Zelaya Will Be Called to Account.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—A tense situation exists this morning as a result of the execution of the two Americans, Cannon and Grace, in Nicaragua, by order of President Zelaya.

Zelaya's action while new to the public, was known to the state department a couple of days ago. The department possessed the facts, but adopted an attitude of reserve, awaiting, with patience, the Nicaraguan government's explanation.

Their Probable Offense. It is assumed here that late press dispatches from Managua are accurate in the statement that the men were executed after the court martial charge of attempting to use dynamite mines in the attempt to blow up some of Zelaya's transports, and should the department advise confirm the story, then the question will be whether the charge justified the execution.

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REV. C. F. SHERRILL IS TO STAND TRIAL

Mrs. Cherry Alleges That He Made Improper Remarks to Her—He Wishes a Trial.

SCANDAL STORY, NOW AGED.

REFUSES TO DIE QUIETLY

Committee, After Investigation, Reports That Conference Should Order Taking of Evidence.

Special to The Gazette-News. Hickory, Nov. 19.—It has been determined by the committee to which certain charges affecting the character of Rev. C. F. Sherrill were referred last year that the matter should be put upon trial. The question is as to whether the minister made improper remarks to Mrs. Cherry of Rutherford college; and the only evidence is hers and his, which conflict.

Some Things in Evidence. The beginning of this case was in June, 1908, which was the time the offense, if offense was committed, and there was nothing said, so far as known of the matter in any way, until October of that year, when it came to the ear of Mr. Sherrill for the first time; and taking a witness, a brother preacher, with him he called upon the lady in the case and asked for a statement, telling what was being circulated. To this it is said she would make no charge whatever, rather charging Mr. Sherrill's family with inattention to her, but now says that the reason that she would not charge him then to his face was that the witness present was a single man, and she would not discuss the matter in the presence of the young man.

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FIGHT FOLLOWED BASEBALL GAME

One Indian Shot, Another Cut After Game at Yellow Hill Between Big Cove and Indian Teams.

Special to The Gazette-News. Bryson City, Nov. 19.—Following a baseball game Wednesday afternoon between the Big Cove and the Indian School teams, the game being played at the Indian school grounds at Yellow Hill, a fight ensued in which at least six shots were fired.

One Indian was shot through the head, and seriously, if not fatally injured; while Lloyd Owl, the well known Indian athlete and ball player, was severely cut. The current opinion seems that the row was started by two men, onlookers, who are supposed to have come to this section from Kentucky.

Sheriff Roan and a posse, after considerable searching last night, captured two men at Governor's Island, who are suspected as being the ones who were the cause of the young riot. They are now in jail here. It is thought that these men are also wanted at other places, especially in Kentucky, upon the charge of safe breaking.

Bank Robbers Get \$1000. Allman, Ia., Nov. 19.—Two masked men dynamited the safe of the Bank of Allman this afternoon and escaped with \$1000.

Western Maryland Sald. Baltimore, Nov. 19.—One of the last streets for the reorganization of the Western Maryland railroad was taken today, when the road was sold at auction for six and a half million dollars.

THE WEATHER. Forecast until 8 p. m. Saturday for Asheville and vicinity: Partly cloudy weather tonight and Saturday, with slowly rising temperature.

DARK TOMB OF CHERRY MINE CONQUERED; THE DEAD FOUND



A Number of Bodies Brought Up, Some Identified—Evidences That They Died of Suffocation, the First Day of Their Imprisonment—Great Piles of the Dead Found—Rescue Party Battled Hard with Flames All Last Night.

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 19.—The dark tomb of the Cherry mine is conquered. After an all-night battle, clearing the shafts of the burning mine, three bodies, the first recovered through the main shaft, were brought to the surface at 8 o'clock this morning. Inspectors and geological experts penetrating the dismal depths and fighting the smoldering fire in the cool veins caught sight of piles of other charred bodies, but passage was hampered by fire.

One Other Bodies. Mine Inspector Taylor, who yesterday declared he would enter the mine, spent the night at the mine. He gave a gross account of what he saw in the mine, but impossible to reach. Mr. Taylor sent word to the mine to repair the east vein approach, the timbering having fallen. Another body of victims was pulled later today into the

mine. On the east and top of the mine, a small building, one a day, were built to the surface. An ambulance, equipped in anticipation, was for several hours in the mine, but the inspectors, finding no signs of life, withdrew, leaving windows open to admit fresh air as their last ones. The condition of the bodies rendered identification difficult.

DEATH TODAY OF WM. H. LAFFAN

The Well Known Publisher of the New York Sun Died from the Effects of an Operation.

New York, Nov. 19.—William M. Laffan, publisher of the New York Sun, died this morning at his home at Lawrence, L. I., following an operation Monday for appendicitis. He was 62 years old, and a native of Dublin, Ireland. He was the successor of Charles A. Dana.

WOODROW WILSON FAVORS FOOTBALL

He Thinks It is Too Fine a Game to Be Abolished Off-Hand, but it Should Be Modified.

Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University, speaking of the agitation to abolish football, today said: "Football is too fine a game to be abolished off-hand, but I think it should be modified to obviate these fatal accidents."

LOEB HAS REMOVED 73 AT ONE SWEEP

Collector of the Port of New York Adds Another Chapter in the Sugar Frauds.

New York, Nov. 19.—Collector Loeb added another striking chapter to the sugar frauds, when he announced this afternoon that he had removed from the customs service at the port of New York 73 employees of the weighing and other divisions.

Labor Protests Against Court's "Unjudicial Words"

Toronto, Nov. 19.—The American Federation of Labor convention by a rising vote endorsed President Gompers' report protesting against the "unjudicial and intemperate language" used by Justice Wright in sentencing Messrs. Gumpers, Mitchell and Morrison to jail for contempt of court.

PRESIDENT TAFT IS GIVEN BIG RECEPTION AT NORFOLK

DR. STEEL ON LEAGUE WORK

Dr. Kilgo Addressed a Large Audience at Hickory on the Status of Education Through Country.

SPEAKER TOLD HOW THE GENERAL BOARD CAME SOUTH

They Came in a Pullman, Had a Banquet and Viewed the Future With Alarm—Delegates Chosen.

Special to The Gazette-News. Hickory, Nov. 19.—The second day's session of the Methodist conference met at 9 o'clock. Bishop Atkins presiding, there was religious service by Ira Egan.

A number of undergraduates were examined and advanced to higher classes. Rev. J. W. Egan, who located to east last year, was unanimously re-elected. Dr. N. B. Porter of the American Bible society addressed the conference. Rev. D. C. Richardson of the Methodist Episcopal church was received from Blue Ridge conference.

A class of ten young men were received into full connection. Election of Delegates to General Conference.

The election of delegates to the general conference was taken up. First ballot, Layton—E. M. Weaver, W. D. Turner, R. L. Durham and J. L. Nelson were chosen. On the second ballot there was no election. Third ballot, C. H. Ireland, was elected. On fourth and fifth ballot there was no election. Sixth ballot, P. S. Lambeth, was elected.

The following young men were admitted on trial: H. V. Clarke, L. W. Collins, Will Edwards, W. A. Hughes, C. R. Rutledge, E. B. Stuber, R. E. Braxley, W. B. Shum and J. F. Harrison.

Dr. Kilgo addressed the conference on "Tribute, college's work." Colored Delegates.

Rev. T. J. Marr and J. H. Weaver were elected clerical delegates on the first ballot. Dr. J. C. Rowe reported that a trial was necessary in the charge against Rev. C. F. Sherrill. A committee was appointed to try, with J. E. Woolley as prosecutor.

Finishing the morning session yesterday it was announced that Dr. S. A. Steele would speak again at 2:30 and at 7:30. Dr. John C. Kilgo would deliver an educational address. Both were signals for the gathering of a large crowd, filling the spacious church till people were turned away at the doors. Dr. Steele spoke of 1 1/2 hours work in the afternoon, and gave incident after incident of how young people had been misled and put to work for six hours a day. A synopsis of his address followed. Dr. Steele is a wonderful preacher and man both as a pastor and platform speaker. With an experience few men have had.

Dr. Kilgo speaks. The seven-thirty service was in charge of Rev. E. L. Rain, pastor of Trinity church, Charlotte, and president of the board of education in the conference.

Dr. E. F. Dixon led the prayer and the conference then sang a selection, "The Good Old Fashioned Way," at the close of which Dr. Kilgo was presented and proceeded at once into the discussion of the status of education in this country. He told how the general board comes south once a year in Pullman cars, sit down to a banquet, deplore the conditions of education, and go back home feeling that they have transformed the educational conditions of the south with never a thought that the church has any part in the education of the people, said he: "I pity this ignorance," and with that as a preliminary foundation the Doctor proceeded to dilate upon the conditions, giving figures to show that the churches of the land, with 30,000,000 people were furnishing 90 per cent. of all the students in school, and such has been the history of the church and education, and gave figures to show how this branch of the church was furnishing a larger per cent. at the back of the educational movement today rather than the Pullman car crowd that break champagne bottles in some hotel dining room, getting inspiration therefrom.

Then with figures showed how the church colleges have furnished and are furnishing the majority of prominent men of the nation. Notes—Stories Told. Rev. Gen. D. Herman, who finished a good four years at Shelby a year ago, and who was sent by the bishop to the good town of Gastonia at the last session of the conference has finished a good year there and will or has made a good report to the body. Not long ago he was writing of the wonderful meeting held in this church by Dr. Steele of Texas, a preacher of much power, and in describing the kind of preaching that was done said: Continued on page three.

He Arrived There Early This Morning and Hears Guns Roar the Presidential Salute.

MR TAFT MET DELEGATES AT THE MONTICELLO HOTEL

Later He Was Escorted to the Grand Stand at the Confederate Monument, Where He Reviewed the Parade.

Norfolk, Nov. 19.—The Atlantic Waterways convention has as a stellar feature this morning President Taft, the guest of the association and the municipality of Norfolk. The president arrived on the Naval Yacht Mastflower, at 8:20 this morning and was met by a double line of about 2000 men, the first line by the Norfolk light infantry blues, and the second as the guns of the receiving ship Franklin.

The president's yacht dropped anchor off Hospital point, and he came ashore on the naval tug Mohawk. He was met by Rear Admiral Tausig, commanding the naval station, and the joint reception committee of the city of Norfolk and the Waterways convention. Proceeding to the Monticello hotel, the president accorded a warm reception to the convention delegates, and was later escorted to the grand stand at the Confederate monument, where, before delivering his address he reviewed the military and civic parade.

The president's reception was a notable affair, several hundred people greeted him, including Governor Poffner of Rhode Island, Swann of Virginia, Governor-elect Mann, Senator Martin and many members of congress. The naval, military and civic component was the greatest in the city's history. Proceeding to the Confederate monument, Mr. Taft was cheered by a great throng of people lining the streets. Burning incense in the streets, he was greeted by four hundred school children forming a human American flag. The children sang "America" and the president appeared much affected.

Seventy newspaper men arrived from Washington here and elaborate plans have been made for their entertainment.

Mr. Taft speaks. President Taft, in his address, reiterated his position in regard to waterways improvement, and declared he would cheerfully support any project which could prove its practicability and worth and which would rebound to the general good. The president said a word regarding the navy, declaring the Norfolk navy yard to be probably the most important station and base in the entire country, and that Hampton Roads formed the greatest strategic naval rendezvous. "The navy, he declared, should not only be 'worth seeing,' but should be able to fight it over his head."

The President's Position. The president, outlining his position on the waterways improvements, said: "I am glad to be here to testify to my interest in the waterways work. There has been a general movement over the country in favor of the expenditure of money to improve the waterways, inland and coastal, and an army of the people has the support of the people and those responsible to the people for the expenditure of money. What I wish to deprecate is the general proposition to raise a lot of money and dump some here and some there, and some back here, just in order to distribute it equally over the country. I am opposed to that. I am in favor of expending the money for an improvement in Norfolk, and spending it far improvement somewhere else, if the Norfolk project is a good one, and the same some where else is not. In other words, we ought to go at this business as if we were business men. And when we do that I do not think that the people of the United States will grudge a cent of the many millions that it is going to cost to give us the improvement we ought to have, no matter where they are. I want to say that I will take up what is projected and proposed with all the sympathy possible, but nevertheless, to reject what evidence does not sustain, and to approve what the evidence does sustain. We are not knocking anybody's chip off his shoulder, but we are a great nation of 80 or 90 millions of people and we must, in order to maintain the prestige that is proportionate to our rank before the world, have a navy that is worth seeing, and able to fight if it has to."

WILLIAM H. WETMORE. Death of Man Well Known in This Section Occurred in Greensboro.

News reached here today of the sudden death in Greensboro Monday of William H. Wetmore, formerly of Old Fort. Mr. Wetmore has a number of friends and relatives in western North Carolina who grieve to hear of his death. While residing at Old Fort, several years ago, he was connected with a shoe manufacturing company. He leaves a wife and several children. The Wetmores at Ardur are cousins of the deceased.

OVER 1000 MEN ARE IDLE BECAUSE 80 ARE ON STRIKE. Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—As a result of a strike of eighty carpenters more than one thousand workmen are idle. The strike grows out of a dispute with a supply concern.