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Senate Committee, on Taft' Recommendation, Takes Swift Action to Insure Neutrality.

PRESIDENT HAMPERED BY LAX MEASURES

Heavy Penalties Provided for Violation of Statute Proposed by Foreign Relations Committee.

Washington, March 13 .- The United States government today, assuming a position of strict neutrality, dealt a severe blow to the cause of the Mexican revolutions by taking steps to cut off the latter's supply of munitions of quested by the Mexican federal government to revise the present neutralty laws, President Taft pointed out madequacies in the statutes to members of the senate foreign relations committee and they immediately returned to the capitol and drafted a concurrent resolution to meet the sitnation. In effect the resolution would authorize the president to stop the export of arms or munitions of from any place in the United States to any American country where in opinion domestic violence exists. The resolution was temporarily tabled In the senate with the understanding that it could be considered later to-While the house also must ac on the measure, instructions, it to hold up all shipments of arms destined to points in Mexico. The action of the United States, accordstrengthen the opinion that this country is disposed to friendship with its

withern neighbor.

Washington, March 12.—President
Taff today pointed out to members of
the senate foreign relations committee and the Texas congressional delega-tion at a White House conference to that the neutrality laws of the United States were not specific enough and is reported to have sold that unless congress enacted new measures

with Mexico.

After the White House conference the senate foreign relations committee resolution which would prohibit the States into any state on the American continent which is in a condition o disorder. The resolution would impose heavy penalties. It is the intention to make it immediately applicable to the Mexican situation.

The resolution was adopted unani-mously in committee and was report ed to the senate immediately.

## 1000 ARABS SLAIN IN TRIPOLI FIGHT

Ben Ganhasi, March 13.—Over 100 Arabs were killed and another 190 wounded, according to Italian advices wounded, according to Italian advices when the Italians yesterday stormed and occurred hanse situated northeast of Forjat which were strongly entrenched and held by a large force of Arabs. The Arabs defended their posisition with the utmost bravery but were finally routed by the Italian troops at the point of the bayon's Over 400 Arab corpses were left of the battlefield. Italian officers report an enormous number carried off by the retresting enemy.

The Italian troops loss was three officers and 25 soldiers killed, white seven officers and 55 soldiers were wounded.

### MRS. OSWALL SMITH

Former Asheville Waman Died Satur day at Washington Court House.

### GIVEN LONG TERM

London, March 12.—Ten suffry ster were today pentenced to term nating from 4 to 5 months imprisor out for participating in the windo making regulate of March 1.

New Blow Dealt Puckers.

## Story that Beach Slashed His Wife Called Slander

New York Millionaire Says He Would Lynch Those Who Insinuate Husband's Guilt.

REWARD IS INCREASED FOR AIKEN ASSILANT

Friends of Beach Assert He Can Prove Alibi If Arrested in South Carolina Mystery.

Afken, S. C., March 13.—C. Oliver Iselin of New York and Alken has ter to Mayor Gyles that he would take pleasure in participating in the lynch ing of the persons who are responsible for the talk that has been current here since the murderous assault was made upon Mrs. Frederick O. Beach two weeks ago to the effect that Mr. Beach himself slashed his wife's throat and that he and his friends have conspired to hide his guilt by charging an un-

known negro with the crin The occasion of Mr. iselin's state nent was his offer of a reward in addition to that already offered by the city for the apprehension of the guilty

Friends of Mr. Beach have been very active in denouncing the story was given fresh impetus when a New York society journal reached the city and Mr. Beach has retained two of the leading attorneys of Aiken.

He has also had a detective from New York, but the detective has re ported to Mayor Gyles that he had been unable to find out anything and would return to New York.

The police have not made any pregress toward discovering the assailant although investigation has followed attors was being transferred by the of-investigation. Pearl Hampton, the ficials working on the case, to Ashe-investigation. Pearl Hampton, the ficials working on the case, to Ashenegro woman who was stuck with a ville, at least temporarily, feace railing in the Beach yard a few quently when the activities o minutes before Mrs. Beach was at-tacked has been grifted everal times. Each time she has contradicted her own stories, but she stoutly refuses

It is said that Mr. Beach's friends could establish an alibi for him should he be arrested charged with the asupon his wife. Mayor Gyles, who has personally taken the investi-gation in hand, this afternoon declared his intention of going to the root of the matter and if possible charging the guilty man with the crime, no matter who he may be, root of the matter and if

# WHILE CHINESE BATTLE

Canton.

Hong Kong, March 13,-Anarchy almost prevails everywhere in the Calnesse province of Kwang Tung. Forty men were killed and 60 wound-ed in a battle Saturday at Chow-Yang. The United States monitor Monteres is at Canton. Several missionaries and narrow escapes from flying bul-

## WORK IS UNDER WAY

Including the Okiahoma and Nevada Six Glant War Vessels are Now Building.

Washington, March 13.—The names the super-d-cadnaughts Oktahoma ad Nevada, contracts for which re-



MRS. FREDERICK O. BEACH.

Mrs. Shafts and Mrs. Britt of Asheville-Former Taken to Hendersonville.

ing in the city yesterday among tho who are interested, that there was 'something doing" in the Hawkins case, a feeling that the base of oper juently when the activities of the Hendersonville and the local officers re-sulted in the arrest of airs. Lizzle Shatt and Mrs. Nora Britt of this city on the charge of being connected with the case or of having some knowledge of how Myrtle Hawkins met her death there was comparatively little surprise felt, although there were probably cone who guessed just what turn the ested yesterday afternoon at her nome on View street about 5:30 o'lock by Deputy Sheriffs Lyda and Mitchell, and the arrest of Mrs. Shaft, who is charged with being party to the illegal operation by which the place about two hours later at the home of her son-in-law, Nathan Stepp. rested on a warrant brought here from Hendersonville by Chief of Police Garn and she was taken to Hendersonille on the night train. Mrs. Britt was arrested on a bench warrant is-sued by Judge B. F. Long and she is Great Province on the Verge of

Anarchy—U. S. Monitor at

Mrs. Britt Talked. The arrest of both women appears to have been caused by the fact that Mrs. Britt has done considerable talking about the case to various people declaring that she knew all about it but would not tell until the proper time came; that she knew how the body came to be in the lake, and knew who the man was who made the ar rangements for the operation; that she "could make some people shake if

Her statement to the officers at the time of her arrest served to throw some light on the case. She is quoted as saying "What are you arresting me ON NEW BATTLESHIPS for? You ought to get the woman who killed the girl. Lizzle Shaft performed the operation. I didn't. If you want the woman who caused Myrtle Hawkins' death go to the woman that performed the operation.

She Had Been Expecting It.

Mrs. Shaft took her arrest very coolly and she must have known that she was under suspicion. On seeing the officers it is said she remarked, "Well." and Nevada, contracts for which recently were let by the mavy department. It made their first appearance on the monthly progress report issued by the bureau of construction and repair today, making a total of six battleships under construction. Two are rapidly nearing completion. On March 1 the Wyoning was 23.5 per cent completed and the Arkansas 90.9. The New York and Texas were respectively 25.5 and 54.1 per cent completed.

Average progress was recorded for February on all nayal vessels now hailding.

SUFFRAGE ADVOCATES
PLEAD WITH CONGRESS

Women Appear Before Senale and House foundation to hail of the case, were said to have gone, the officers could not see how they could nave been connected with the case. Since then there have been many more rumors regarding the affect under the officers could to have gone, the officers could not see how they could nave been connected with the case. Since then there have been many more rumors regarding the affer unenviable.

New Orleans Woman Faces Charge of Having Poisoned Her Sister With Morphine.

HOPE TO GET A JURY BEFORE THE DAY ENDS

Killing Alleged to Have Been Done for Insurance-Other Strange Deaths in Family.

New Orleans, La., March 13 .- The rial of Annie Crawford for the alged murder of her sister began to-

day. The selection of the jury was the first step. Counsel are hopeful of filling the jury box before night.

The prosecution will depend upon a chemist's report that nearly nine grains of morphine were found in the dead girl's stomach. An insurance policy on Elsie Crawford's life is altered to have been the could be it.

tional one. Several other members of the Crawford family died mysterionaly, all leaving insurance by which he accused woman is claimed to have

# COAL SITUATION

Under Way in New York and London.

New York, March 18 .- With con erences on today in New York London, steps may be taken leading towards an adjustment of the worldwide situation which finds a million coal miners on strike in Great Britain a miners' walkout in Germany and many thousands of hard and soft coal miners in this country threatening to strike. The possibilities of a strik in the United States has already made itself felt in premiums of one dollar per ton on anthracite.

Distress in Britain Acute. London, March 13.—The distress which has been caused throughout England, Scotland and Wales by the great coal strike is becoming acute particularly in Wales where the whole life of the people depends upon the coal industry.

The conference between the British coal mine owners and striking miners representatives, presided over Premier Asquith, was resumed this norning at the foreign office. said satisfactory progress is being made in the negotiations.

# THE ACCUSED PACKERS

The Jury Is to Decide Whether Trade Restraining Conspiracy Existed.

Sherman law, and discharge the de-fendants. The effect of the ruling is that the jury will decide whether the defendants are guilty or innocent.

### STOLE FOR SICK SON

Railway Mail Clerk, With Unblem ished Record for 24 Years, Ar-rested for \$13 Theft.

Louisville, March 13,—After serving 24 years with unblemtaked record in the railway mall service, Arch B. Terrett, aged 55, today confessed to secret service men that he had stolen a total of \$13 dollars from registered letters to buy Christmas presents and medicine for his son who had tuber-

Terrell was arrested yesterday after ompleting his run.

### Mrs. Grace's Trial Postponed.

Atlanta, March 15,-Instead of be on March 5. Mrs. Daisy

will spand today in jail,
ont of the trial to March
to the unimproved condices. So fur maining has foot both pulp and hards of the rest of the trial of myster; their big boundry of Unior lands.

## New Orleans Princess Loses Appeal to Rome



Word comes from Rome that the tribunal of the Rota has rejected the appeal of Princess Marie Rospigliosi, nee Reid, asking for a new trial of the Parkhurst-Reid murriage case. Princess Rospigliosi is an American, born in New Orleans in 1870. She was Miss Mary Jennings Reid, and in her youth went to Washington, where she married Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor, Me., who later divorced her, keeping the custody of their two children. She then went to Rome, where her remarkable beauty caused a sensation and it was not long before she became engaged to Prince Giuseppe Rospigliosi, head of a famous historic house dating back to 1230.

Both being Catholics, they wished to be married by a religious cere-ony, but the church, not recognizing divorce, refused the prince's applica-on. They were married civiliy at the chateau of Lamporecchio on Sep-mber 2, 1901.

## Important Conferences Are Geologist Scouts Report Volcano Threatens Canal

New York, March 13 .- A sleeping [division engineer in a report says that volcano, dormant for centuries, is in the past five days the temperature threatening the Panama canal, sc- in the vents has increased and that cording to special dispatches from the sides of two vents were encrusted with a yellow powder, apparently succano is said to underlie Culebra cut.

Clouds of steam and bine smoke gist scouts the volcano idea, declaring arising from the newly turned ground the steam and smoke are due only are responsible for the report. The the oxidation of pyrites.

firmation of Supreme Court

Nomination.

Washington, March 13 .- The con

firmation of Chancellor Mahlen Pit-

ney of New Jersey as associate justice

was apparent. A close vote is

expected. Washington, March 13.—The senate

## Mill Strike Committee Accepts Company's Terms

Lawrence, Mass., March 13.-The tives of the American Woolen comend of the great textile strike is near, pany's four mills that the wage sched-The general strike committee today ale offered by the corporation be ac

## this being BUILDING BAILWAY PITNEY IS UNDER ON PIGEON RIVER DEMOCRATIC FIRE BIG COMPANY FORMED

Canton to Sunburst Line Close Vote Is Expected on Con-Should be Completed by August, Col. Boyd Says.

Special to The Gazette-News. Canton, March 13,-Col. David L. Boyd of Waynesville the veteran railroad congractor of Western North of the United States Supreme Court Carolina will begin work here today to succeed the late Justice Harian Chicago, March 13.—United States

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District Judge George A. Carpenter on the railroad up Pigeon river from the case of the ten packers, charged with criminal violation of the begun on the Justice Carolina will be worked upon at 4 o'clock this afternoon. After three hours of stormy debate yesterday behind closed the late Justice Harian

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Raieigh, March 13. canton to Sunburst, for the Cham-pion Lumber company. Work will be begun on the Joseph Smathers place about half a mile from Canton's lim-its. The jury to condemn and ap-appointment at noon today. Leading praise the right of way through the Bert Smathers land was sworn in yes-terday at Waynesville and today will go over the ground and assess damag-

Thus at last actual work of final construction has begun in earnest on this afternoon confirmed Mahlon Pit-the much talked of railroad up Pigeon ney of New Jersey as associate justhe much talked of railroad up Pigeon never the grading for which for the most part, was done a few years ago, after which work was ceased, and suspended until now. Col Boyd pur "Bud" Cabe to work yesterday after-noon huying teams to be used on the grade just as soon as he had closed a deal with J. C. Arbogast by which Col. Boyd became superintendent of construction of the 16 miles from Canastruction of the 16 miles from Can

construction of the 16 miles from Canton to Sunburst.

To a Gazette-News representative, Col. Boyd stated that, with favorable weather, the road to Sunburst should be completed and trains running in four months, or by August 1. With only one exception of heavy rock work the line will be easy, by far the greater portion of the work being the regrading and reshaping of the former graded line.

Express Messenger, Covered by Gun, Brains His Guard With Mallet and Seizes Revolver.

SHOOTS OTHER LOOTER AND RECOVERS BOOTY

Overawed Southern Pacific Crew Then Couples Detach ed Sections the Train Proceeds.

San Antonio, Tex., March 13 .-David A. Tronsdale,an express messensenger, balked the robbery of a Southern Pacific train near Sanderson this morning when he trapped two highwaymen and killed them. The robbers boarded the train a few miles east of Sanderson. The mail and express cars and the locomotive were detached from the passenger coaches, The engineer under cover of the robbers' guns was compelled to run the

One of the robbers took Trousdale back to the train and kept him under guard while the other robber covered the crew in the cars ahead and started to rifle the safe and express boxes. Trousdale employed the old ruse of signaling an imaginary person back of his captor. When the robber turned Trousdale grasped a mallet and before the highwayman could shoot

dashed out his brains.

Then arming himself with the dead robber's gun, Trousdale waited for the other bandits to return. After rifling the express boxes the secondar returned to the coaches. Ste ping from cover, Trousdale killed him All the stolen property was recovered and the train proceeded. Trousdate is a young man who lives

The robbers bodies were taken to Sanderson. They have not been iden-

# IMPORTANT LEGISLATION

Confederates Are Pensioned and Women Are Given Limited Suffrage.

Frankfort, Ky., March 13,-The general assembly adjourned sine file this morning. Many important hills including pensioning Confederate veterans, the extension of suffrage to women in school elections, and prohibiting the purchase or gift of liquor in dry ter-

# AT BLACK MOUNTAIN

J. Sneed Adams One of Incorporators of \$300,000 Development Concern.

Gazette-News Bureau The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, March 15. A charter was issued to the Hightate and develop mines. The duthor-ized capital is \$350,000 with \$150,000 subscribed by F. A. Drury and H. L. Foster of Worcester, Mass, and John

### Rescued From Wrecked Ship.

Ocean City, Md., March 13.-Captain

### MY CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

If I could Select the Man I Would Name

Address .... po management to their ter parties