

## BRINSON CHARGES, ABERNETHY DENIES PARTY INFIDELITY

### No Indication of Bitterness in Feeling of Partisans at Joint Debate

## AFFIDAVITS OFFERED TO SUSTAIN CLAIMS

### Congressman Calm, Suave and Courteous; Abernethy Pyrotechnic in His Rhetoric and at Times Vitriolic; Court-house at Jacksonville Packed Many Women Being Present

By BEN DIXON McNEILL.  
(Staff Representative.)  
Jacksonville, May 3.—Fortifying his statements with affidavits, Congressman Brinson in joint debate with Candidate C. L. Abernethy here today openly charged his opponent with infidelity to the Democratic party and with conniving with Republican leaders in the district to defeat the party's nominee in the 1918 election.

Abernethy retaliated with a sweeping denial of the charge, supporting his disclaimer with affidavits from Republican leaders that he had not connived with them and offered as proof of his democracy statements attributed to "Old Man Burnside." He charged the Senate Board of Elections with robbing him of the nomination, the courts with denying him just relief and appealed to the voters of the district for vindication. He promised to abide by the primary.

Interest was at fever heat here today, although there was no noticeable indication of bitterness in the partisan-ship evidenced. Both candidates were applauded generously, although there was noise in the Abernethy camp in the earlier stages of the melee. When Brinson rose for his rejoinder scores of citizens of the county hoisted friends of Abernethy's who had accompanied him from New Bern.

Brinson suave, Abernethy vitriolic. Brinson read a set speech, but for rejoinder matched his opponent in the rough and tumble method of oratory. Abernethy depended throughout upon the inspiration of the moment for bombs to hurl into the Brinson camp. Inspirations were plentiful. Brinson was calm and suave, scholarly and courteous. Abernethy was pyrotechnic in his rhetoric and at times vitriolic in his denunciation of Brinson.

Both contestants for the nomination in the Third District arrived here at 11 o'clock this morning on the same train. Abernethy was accompanied by a goodly following of friends from New Bern and elsewhere. Brinson had with him a stenographer who followed the debate closely. A conference followed immediately and rules were agreed upon. Speeches were limited to 20 minutes and rejoinders to 10 minutes. County Democratic Chairman N. A. Burton was agreed upon as referee. The speaking started at 1:30. The court-house was packed and among the spectators were numerous women.

Reads From Manuscript.  
Some extension was found by Brinson for appearing in a joint debate with a Democrat in the fact that his opponent had deserted the party at one time and gone off on independent seekings after office. He made this statement as a preface to his speech, which was read from manuscript: "In order that my opponent may have an accurate record of my position in the matter," he explained.

"My friend, Mr. Abernethy, is a candidate again for nomination for a seat in Congress," Brinson began.  
"It is true he has entered the Democratic primary, has filed his notice and paid his fee, but Mr. Abernethy did the same thing two years ago. Long and lustily he proclaimed his democracy, took the pledge of allegiance to the party, and promised to abide by the result of the primary. To this pledge he signed his name. When Colonel Dorch was declared the nominee, he forgot his pledge, cried fraud and appealed to the party authorities."

"Disregarded Authorities."  
These authorities decided against him. He disregarded them, entered the contest against the regularly declared nominee and fought him with a bitterness only equalled by his fight against me."  
"When Colonel Dorch died Mr. Abernethy (undoubtedly regretting his independent movement then), came again into his party councils and endeavored to have the executive committee of the party, which under party law had the selection of Colonel Dorch's successor to name him as the candidate."  
"At the meeting of the executive committee held in Goldsboro, six votes, I was nominated receiving six votes to three cast for Mr. Abernethy. Mr. Abernethy continued his insurgency. Refusing the second time to abide by the decision of his party's regularly constituted tribunal, he became even more aggressive in his candidacy, was more open in his collusion with the Republicans, scarcely a day passing that he was not seen in conference with the Republican chairman of Craven county."

"In Collusion With Republicans."  
"In view of this record, I now ask him if he will abide by the result of this primary? He organized his independent campaign in every county of the district, and was openly and actively in collusion with the Republican leaders of the district."  
"If you Democrats will recall, nearly every Republican in the district became my partisan. They openly defended his course, and joined him in his abuse of the Democrats."  
"At Warsaw and Clinton and Elliott

## FIFTY PERSONS KILLED IN OKLAHOMA TORNADO

### Towns of Peggs Virtually Destroyed; Casualties Continue To Mount.

Muskogee, Okla., May 3.—The number of persons known to have been killed in the tornado at Peggs, Cherokee county, reached 51 early tonight, according to a telephone message from Locust Grove, with seven persons not accounted for and about 100 injured.

Peggs virtually was destroyed by the tornado Sunday night and the list of casualties continued to increase tonight as rescue parties from the surrounding country proceeded with their work.

Members of rescue parties who returned to Muskogee tonight with the injured told of difficulties encountered in finding and identifying the bodies of the victims. A deluge of rain accompanied the tornado and the village was a mass of wreckage with numerous pools of water and mud.

In many cases several bodies were found among the ruins of a single building indicating that whole families had been wiped out. Through a frank of the storm, a small frame building, uninhabited, was left standing in the heart of the town while brick structures surrounding which had housed many persons were razed. Clothing was found on trees several miles from the path of the storm. A large gasoline barrel was found flattened and wrapped tightly around the trunk of a tree. The area swept by the tornado was about three miles long and a mile wide. Peggs was a village of about 250 inhabitants.

## CREW OF SINKING SHIP BATTLE WITH OLD OCEAN

### Finally Forced To Desert Vessel Off Carolina Coast and Are Rescued

Wilmington, May 3.—A thrilling story of shipwreck and subsequent battle for life in open boats was recited today by nine members of the crew of the American steam tug Admiral, which went down twenty-two miles off Topsail inlet early Saturday morning. The steamer came to Wilmington by train after having been picked up by fishermen off Topsail and taken to Edgecomb.

The men continued their journey tonight for their home station at Philadelphia. According to the Master of the Admiral, Captain A. W. Day, the crew battled for hours after the ship had been put out of commission, being finally forced to take to the life boats. The vessel went down five minutes after the last boat had pushed off. One of the boats was dashed to pieces in attempting to make a landing.

In her battle with the waves the steamer snapped and the smokestack was hurled overboard. The steam pipe leading to the whistle was broken and all the steam in the boilers escaped. The little ship rocked at the mercy of the waves until her seams cracked and she began to fill with water. The hand pumps were put in action, and while the crew struggled with the rapidly encroaching water the engineer succeeded in repairing his pipes and renewing his boiler fires.

The engineer then attempted to head the tug into the sea, but handicapped by his crippled engines he could only send her stern first into the waves. Captain Day then ordered his men into the life boats. Five minutes later the Admiral tumbled stern into the air and sank beneath the waves.

## AGRICULTURE RETARDED FOR LACK OF LOANS NOW

### Thousands of Farmers Compelled To Forego Plans For Extension

Washington, May 3.—Farm loan bank officials, meeting here today, agreed that expansion of the agricultural industry was daily being retarded through inability of the system to make further advances to farmers. While the country awaits a re-hearing of the suit under which the system operates, it was stated that thousands of farmers were compelled to forego plans for extension or expansion of the crop planting plans.

The conference was called by Commissioner Lobdell, of the Farm Loan Board, in order that a general survey of conditions confronting the banks and loan associations could be made. It did not complete its work and the discussions will be continued tomorrow.

All members of the conference urged against another offer of farm loan bonds in the open market at this time. The opinion was held that a "cloud would hang over bonds so long as the act providing for their issue was in court." Officials believed, however, that Congress would adopt the Ferris resolution empowering the treasury to absorb the bonds' next bond issue and thereby avoid an entire summer of inactivity so far as loaning operations are concerned.

Commissioner Lobdell said that many "pitiable cases" had come to the board's attention, due entirely to the fact that no further advances could be made to farmers who had depended on the system to supply funds to meet commercial loans. In certain instances, foreclosure had resulted, he said.

CHARLES W. MORSE GIVES BOND FOR SELLING SHIP.  
New York, May 3.—Charles W. Morse was held in \$15,000 bail here today after having been arraigned on an indictment charging violation of the shipping board act which prohibits sale of American registered vessels to foreigners.

## BAILEY LOSES IN EVERY PRECINCT IN NATIVE STATE

### Champion of Anti-Prohibitionists and Wilson Opponent Snowed Under

## EVEN HOME COUNTY TURNS HIM DOWN AS DELEGATE

### Result of Texas Primaries Constructed As Victory For Former Secretary McAdoo; C. E. Thompson To Get Job As Assistant District Attorney; Crisp Writes Letter

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg., By R. E. POWELL.  
(By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., May 3.—Former Senator Joseph W. Bailey, of Texas, who has been waging an anti-administration fight in Texas so bitter until the caustic slanders of Colonel George Harvey became sweet music to President Wilson's followers, has been snowed under an avalanche of votes that promises to send a delegation to San Francisco equally as strong for the administration as the 24 Simmons delegates from North Carolina.

Bailey, whose power to charm the galleries will always remain one of the traditions about Capitol Hill, has gone down to the most decisive defeat administered so far by the voters of any State to an opponent of the Wilson administration not excepting the blister which Georgia gave to Hoke Smith.

The Texas fought for the control of the delegates to the State convention. Nothing in all the relations which have been received here and discussed by Democrats with much interest, so tells the story of the Texas primary as Bailey's own failure to win out as a delegate in the county convention.

Completely Snowed Under.  
One of the telegrams received at the White House today from a prominent Texas Democrat said: "Returns from primaries assure overwhelming administration victory. Bailey beaten everywhere heard from, losing his home county, town and voting precinct and failing to be selected as a delegate to county convention. It is even a greater victory than 1912."

Politicians at the Capital said today that while no preference for Presidential candidates was stated in the primaries vote, it is well understood that the choice of the Texas delegation is for McAdoo. Every influential state leader has intimated or announced his preference for Mr. McAdoo.

Postmaster General Barleson is for McAdoo, it is generally believed by Democratic politicians here, although he has not seen fit thus far to announce it. The moral result of the Texas result is expected to be reflected sympathetically in other Southern states. North Carolina has practically spoken and a Georgia convention is due soon.

What will have more influence on un-instructed delegations at San Francisco, perhaps, than anything else will be the spectacle of the "Texas forty" standing first, last and all the time for McAdoo. All events, reports and Democratic deliberations smack of McAdoo.

Thompson To Get Job.  
Announcement was made here today that Assistant United States Attorney Ernest H. Green, of New Bern, had tendered his resignation to the Department of Justice to make his campaign for the superior court judgeship, to succeed Judge Guion. C. E. Thompson, of District Attorney Adyette's home town, has been tendered the place and it is understood he will accept it.

This is the second of what promises right now to be a series of resignations in the Department of Justice. Internal Revenue Department and other general departments by officials who are making local campaigns for office. The forced resignation of W. T.

## OPERATIVES STRIKE IN NEW BEDFORD FACTORIES

### Fifteen Thousand Employees Walk Out Because of New Regulations

New Bedford, Mass., May 3.—The strike of operatives in 37 cotton mills in this city today was followed by the issuance of orders from union headquarters tonight to all union freemen to quit work tomorrow. Union leaders said that many of the freemen reported for work today through a misunderstanding.

Although two of the mills were forced to close because not enough operatives reported to carry on the work, the manufacturers association announced that the mill owners were satisfied "that the operatives want to work" and that the mills in general would remain open. Officials of the textile council estimated that 15,000 operatives obeyed the strike order.

The strike was called in support of the loom fixers who were already out in an effort to compel the rescheduling of orders that they should care for a larger number of looms than formerly. Although no question of wages is immediately involved the unions represent in favor of demanding a 50 per cent wage increase. This demand has not yet been presented to the manufacturers. Pickets were active in front of the mills throughout the day, but there was no disorder.

Supreme Court Takes Recess.  
Washington, May 3.—The supreme court recessed today until May 17, without handing down a decision on the constitutionality of the prohibition amendment or the enforcement act.

## LATEST CITY BREAK WITH CARRANZA

### Paso, Tex., May 3.—Juarez has not and the Sonora rebellion. It has, however, severed relations with the Carranza government. This is the significance of today's revolt.

A proclamation issued today Gen. J. Gonzalo Escobar, commander at Juarez, announced this step, saying that an attitude of neutrality would be maintained until a stable government can be established in Mexico. Then Juarez will declare its allegiance to that government.

It was announced in Juarez this afternoon that some of the Mexican Federal custom officials have been arrested by the Revolutionists, now in control of the city. Money and papers in possession of those officials were seized, it was said. Mayor J. Trinidad Romero and Chief of Police Antonio Buelas were declared to be virtually under arrest, although they were being allowed the freedom of the city.

Two trains loaded with rebel troops reported this afternoon at Moctezuma were scheduled to reach Juarez tonight. Juarez late today was quiet except for a lone band playing and a few score following it shouting "Viva Obregon." Saloons have been closed. Although the border was closed to traffic for a short time, Americans are again being permitted to cross to Juarez, although they are advised not to do so.

## MARYLAND GIVES MAJORITY TO WOOD

### Practically Complete Returns Shows Soldier Candidate Beats Johnson

Baltimore, Md., May 3.—Practically complete returns tonight from today's primary in Maryland gave Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood 14,000 votes to 7,113 for Senator Hiram Johnson, a majority for the soldier candidate of 7,500. General Wood carried all the counties but Allegany and Dorchester. Johnson's majority in the former county was 1,000.

## INDIANA PRIMARIES FOR BOTH PARTIES TODAY

Indianapolis, May 3.—Indiana voters tomorrow will express their preference of candidates for President, Governor and other public offices and will elect delegates to the State convention of both the Republican and Democratic parties. The primary follows a series of the most vigorous campaigns waged in Indiana, the fight being centered around the Republican Presidential nomination. There are four men in the race—Senator Hiram Johnson, California; Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood; Senator Warren G. Harding, Ohio, and Gov. Frank O. Lowden, Illinois. There are no candidates for the Democratic nomination for President on the ballot.

Delegates elected to the State convention of both the Republican and Democratic parties will in turn name the delegates to the national conventions. These elections will be made on the eve of the State conventions to be held later in the month. No delegates either to the Democratic or Republican national conventions from Indiana will be selected.

## CALIFORNIA TO REGISTER ITS CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

San Francisco, Cal., May 3.—California electors at a presidential primary tomorrow will register their choice for delegates to the Republican, Democratic and Prohibition party national conventions.

Interest in the election centers almost entirely in the Republican contest between rival groups of delegates pledged to the candidacy of Senator Hiram Johnson and Herbert C. Hoover. Vigorous campaigns in behalf of each group closed tonight with leaders expressing confidence in tomorrow's outcome.

The registration broke records in all previous primary elections, 1,111,192 voters having been recorded. Of this number 692,617 declared their affiliation with the Republican party, 247,737 with the Democratic and 18,124 with the Prohibition party. The "declined to state" list totaled 125,308.

The unpledged Democratic ticket has a list of 27 names from which the voters will select 26 delegates. Henry H. Childers, of Los Angeles, who announced himself in favor of a less drastic enforcement of the national prohibition law, is the independent candidate on this ticket.

Regardless of political affiliation voters may demand and receive at the polls any party ballot they desire.

## ABANDON ALL PLANS TO GET RECOUNT OF VOTES

New York, May 3.—Supporters of Senator Hiram Johnson of California, who abandoned their plans for a recount of votes cast in the New Jersey presidential primary last Tuesday, it was announced today by A. C. Joy, assistant campaign manager, after a conference of Johnson leaders lasting most of the day.

"Senator Johnson has agreed that there is no chance of going further in the matter of securing a re-count in New Jersey," Mr. Joy said. "The vote there now is a closed incident in so far as the Johnson managers are concerned."

## AMERICA DEMANDS PROMPT ARREST OF MEXICAN SLAYERS

### Two More Americans Reported Killed in Mexico in Carranza Territory

## ADDITIONAL WARSHIPS TO PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS

### State Department Says Vessels Will Not Take Any Part In Struggles Between Factions But Intended Solely as Haven In Case of Need; Conference of Leaders

Washington, May 3.—The murder of two more Americans in Mexico, reported today to the State Department, accentuated the concern with which officials here are watching developments beyond the border. There was nothing, however, to indicate to what extent the attitude of the Washington government toward the Sonora revolutionary movement might be affected by the fact that the incidents occurred in Carranza controlled territory.

Requests for additional warship protection at points on the East coast of Mexico already had been forwarded to the navy by the State Department. While this had no relation to the latest murders, it was said, to indicate the view of officials as to the unsettled conditions prevailing in that region, nominally at least, still held by Carranza forces.

Serious Blow to Federals.  
On the border, loss of Juarez, officials said would be a serious blow to the Federals, because of its revenue producing capacity. They believed complete rebel control of the state of Chihuahua would be the logical result.

The murder of Eben Francis Greenlaw and his young son by Mexicans near El Oro, only 135 miles from Mexico City, brought from the American embassy in Mexico City a prompt and emphatic demand that the Mexican government arrest and punish the murderers. The American government contends that the Carranza authorities were responsible for the protection of the Greenlaws because of the presence of Mexican troops in the immediate vicinity.

The date of the sailing of the fleet of destroyers to Mexican waters was not made public, but the belief was expressed that they would be sent at once. Destroyers will be stationed at Tampico, Tuxpan, Vera Cruz and Fronterera, ready to take off any Americans who may be in danger either from the Mexican Federal authorities, or the rebels. The State Department specifically stated that these vessels were not to take any part in the struggle between factions in Mexico but were asked for solely to provide a haven in case of need.

To Co-ordinate Factions.  
Reports were received here today of conferences attended by representatives of Obregon, Villa, Manuel Pelaez and Felix Diaz, which indicated that definite co-ordination between the various factions was being arranged. Official information showed that the revolution had been planned for several months.

Unofficial advice from Mexico City indicates that the censorship is being exercised more sharply than ever and that newspapers are not permitted to print any news of the rebel activity in the northern part of the country. General Obregon has pledged himself to protect foreign lives and interests, if elected to the presidency, a consular report to the State Department said. Obregon also included in his platform a declaration in favor of "General of foreign investments in Mexico." He accused President Carranza of violating the constitution in assuming dictatorial powers and of having injured Mexico through adoption of a policy calculated to drive out foreign capital.

## PANAMAIS MAKE STRONG PROTEST AGAINST STEP

### Torchlight Procession Holds Up General Pershing's Automobile

Panama, May 3.—Several thousand Panamanians last night marched the streets in a torchlight parade as a protest against the acquisition by the United States of the major portion of Taboga island for the purpose of fortification as a part of the Pacific defense scheme of the Panama canal.

An automobile in which General Pershing was driving to a ball in his honor at the Union club, was halted by the procession and forced to return to the Tivoli hotel.

Mobs later formed in the streets and irresponsible persons threw rocks at prominent Panama officials, a number of whom were injured. Mounted policemen, acting on orders of Mayor Boyd, charged and dispersed the demonstrators.

Major General Chase W. Kennedy, commander of the American troops in the canal zone, following receipt of reports of the rock throwing, ordered all American officers attending the ball to leave immediately. Earlier in the evening General Pershing attended a reception at the Balboa administration buildings where thousands of American employes shook hands with him.

## REVOLUTIONISTS IN CONTROL OF BIGGEST STATE OF MEXICO NOW

## WITNESS CHARGES NEWS CENSORSHIP

### Charge By Publisher Emphatically Denied By Vice President of Union

Washington, May 3.—The charge that the International Typographical Union exercised a censorship over part of the American press was made before the Senate newsprint investigating committee today by E. J. McCone, general manager of the Buffalo Commercial.

Called upon for a specific instance in support of his charge, Mr. McCone declared that only four newspapers printed last October certain parts of Elbert H. Gary's testimony before the Senate Steel investigating committee and that the Buffalo News after putting the story in type, was forced to change it under pressure from the Union's shop chapel. The witness said that the Commercial and the New York Times were the only papers in the Eastern section of the country that printed the Gary criticism of organized labor, as given the committee.

Although the witness stated that only four newspapers were free of union censorship, he did not give the names, nor did members of the committee ask for them.

Mr. McCone charged that the Union, through exercise of censorship by the shop chapel, kept articles unfavorable to organized labor out of most newspapers.

Before Mr. McCone had injected a new feature into the hearing Senator Reed's proposal to tax newspapers issuing more than a stipulated number of pages was discussed, commended and condemned. Jason Rogers, publishers of the New York Globe approved it, with the added suggestion that all advertisements over a maximum size be taxed. This, he thought, would keep down the size of papers and save enough newsprint to end the present shortage.

Nearly all of the witnesses agreed that voluntary curtailment aided possibly by pressure of some kind from the government would solve the problem.

## EMPHATIC DENIAL MADE BY OFFICER OF UNION

Indianapolis, May 3.—Charges that the International Typographical Union exercised a censorship over the news columns of all except four newspapers of the country were declared to be "absolutely untrue," by Walter W. Barrett, vice president of that organization, here today.

He declared there was no basis for such a statement which was made by E. J. McCone, of the Buffalo Commercial, testifying before the Senate newsprint paper investigating committee. The union, he said, never has supported any such action and never will.

"There have been a few attempts in newspaper offices of shop chapels to exercise a censorship in keeping out of print stories unfavorable to organized labor," Mr. Barrett said. "But in every instance the Typographical Union has supported the publishers."

Mr. Barrett said the officials of the union knew nothing of a censorship being exercised in the offices of the Buffalo News when Judge Elbert Gary of the United States Steel Corporation, testified before the Senate investigating committee regarding the principle of freedom of contract.

Mr. McCone has been at loggerheads with the Typographical Union for a year or more, Mr. Barrett said, because the union "would not grant Mr. McCone certain concessions." The union always had believed in non-interference with what is printed in the press and always would maintain that stand, he said.

## POPULATION OF DURHAM ANNOUNCED BY BUREAU

Washington, May 3.—The population of Durham, N. C., is 27,719, an increase of 3,478, or 19.1 per cent, the Census Bureau announced today. The population in 1910 was 6,678; in 1910 it was 18,241.

## REVOLT OF JUAREZ AGAINST CARRANZA GOVERNMENT HAILED BY LEADERS AS GREAT VICTORY

## FALL OF CITY OPPOSITE EL PASO EXPECTED FOR DAYS AT HEADQUARTERS

### General Calles Says Delay In Taking City Occasioned By Fear Bullets Might Fall Into American Territory; Rebel Troops To March Into Chihuahua Immediately, It Is Announced, With Casas Grandes As First Objective; Campaign South Has Mexico City For Its Objective

Agua Prieta, May 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—The revolt of Juarez against the Carranza government of Mexico today gave the Revolutionists control of the largest State in the Republic of Mexico.

Only one small Carranza garrison in Chihuahua, that of Casas Grandes, near the Sonora boundary, remains loyal to the Central Government according to a statement issued tonight by Gen. Pellas Calles, commander-in-chief of the Revolutionary armies in the northwest.

The movement of Revolutionists against Casas Grandes already had begun, General Calles said.

The fall of Juarez had been expected for days at military headquarters here. Embassies from Sonora had been sent to El Paso to confer with Mexican officials for turning the town and soldiers over to the Revolutionists, the commander-in-chief stated.

Wanted To Avoid Complications.  
According to General Calles the delay was caused by the desire to have the revolt of Carranza troops complete and take the city without fighting.

"We did this to avoid any complications with the United States authorities," he said. "We feared that in a battle bullets might fall into American territory."

More than half the length of the international boundary between the United States and Mexico now is held by the Revolutionists, he added, and once they have taken the town and soldiers over to the Revolutionists, the commander-in-chief stated.

General Calles announced late today that his troops here would move into Chihuahua immediately. Casas Grandes will be the first objective. At Casas Grandes there are between 300 and 500 Carranza troops, it was said, and among these have been reported evidences of pro-Revolutionary tendencies.

From Casas Grandes the troops of Calles will be entrained for Juarez. Mexico City Objective.  
Sonora troops and those at Juarez will immediately move south, General Calles said, to join other Revolutionists on a campaign through the heart of Mexico, toward the capital.

Federal troops under Gen. Manuel W. Gonzales, numbering about 1,000 men, stationed at Texcoco, four miles from the outskirts of Mexico City, have been driven out, by advance forces of General Alvaro Obregon, candidate for the presidency of Mexico who fled from Mexico City and joined the Revolutionary forces in the south, according to reports received here today at military headquarters.

General Obregon himself is reported as being at Cuautla Morelos, with the main body of his troops preparing for a concerted drive upon the Mexican capital from the States of Morelos and Guerrero.

Governor Adolfo de la Huerta, of Sonora, commander-in-chief of the Liberal Constitutional army, is en route to Agua Prieta for a conference with General Calles concerning the military campaign to be waged in Central Mexico it was announced. He is due to arrive here tomorrow.

## SUICIDE OF PRISONER HURTS GOVERNMENT CASE

Washington, May 3.—Department of Justice officials believe that the suicide of Andres Salsedo, in New York today "materially weakened" the government's work in running down the perpetrators of the bomb plots of last June. Assistant Attorney General Garvan said the loss of Salsedo as a government witness meant a redrafting of the confidential inquiries which now have extended over a period of ten months.

Definite connection between Salsedo and the L'Era Nuova group of anarchists of Patterson, N. J., has been established, according to Mr. Garvan. Twenty-nine members of this group were arrested in the nation-wide raids of last January.

Mr. Garvan intimated that several of the men believed to have been leading leaders in the bomb conspiracy, had fled to Europe. Others are under surveillance while the department continues its work of perfecting its evidence.

## MASACHUSETTS SENATE PASSES A NEAR BEER MEASURE

Boston, Mass., May 3.—The Senate today passed the bill to make 2.75 per cent beer a legal beverage in this State should the Volstead act be declared unconstitutional but President McKnight of the Senate, refused to fix his signature. The measure had been passed by the House previously but cannot go to the governor until President McKnight's signature is affixed. The vote in the Senate was 20 to 6.