

ALL BRITON TORN BY CONTENTIONS OF HOT CAMPAIGN

Great Struggle Between Lords and Commons Sinks All Other Issues

SUFFRAGETTES ON HAND WITH BRICKS

Repulsed at Radical Meeting Make an Attack on Conservatives With Missiles

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The whole of Great Britain is immersed in the political campaign which has been inaugurated by the refusal of the house of lords to consent to the budget.

All Parties Active. While the various local organizations are busy selecting candidates and preparing for the contests in their respective districts, the leaders of the great parties are carrying on a general campaign.

In London this afternoon one of their organizations, the National democratic league held a demonstration as a protest against the action of the lords which was one of the most notable ever held in the metropolis.

Suffragettes Bait In. The only divergent note here, an elsewhere, came from the suffragettes, who, after a term of comparative quiet again started to indulge in attempts to break up the radical meetings.

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TROOPS ORDERED OUT TO QUELL RIOT OF OHIO STRIKERS

Fire on Guards of American Tin Plate Mills And Precipitate Trouble

FIVE MEN SHOT IN ANARCHY OF A DAY

Strike Began Five Months Ago Because Company Posted Open Shop Notice

BRIDGEPORT, Ohio, Dec. 4.—Martial law tonight holds sway in this city where 2,000 striking employees of the Aetna-Standard plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel corporation, have been rioting since midnight Friday.

Gov. Harmon at Columbus is being kept in close touch with the situation and has placed the fullest military powers in Brig. Gen. John C. Spaulk, in command of both civil and state authorities here.

Strikers Fired First. The lawlessness bringing on the present situation comes of a trivial incident. Early today one of the mill guards stepped outside of the mill enclosure to escort another guard to a cab.

Object to Open Shop. The strike of the Aetna-Standard plant had its inception five months ago when the American Sheet and Tin Plate company posted an order that

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MEXICO DESIRES PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICAN STATES

May Send Special Envoy to Washington to Propose Amicable Settlement

MEANTIME WILL BE STRICTLY NEUTRAL

Former Ambassador Creel Called to Capital For Consultation

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 4.—Mexico has done nothing so far in regard to the Nicaraguan matter, it is taking sides neither with Nicaragua nor the United States.

This declaration was made today by Governor Creel, of Chihuahua, former Mexican ambassador at Washington.

Governor Creel has been called to Mexico City for a consultation with the department of foreign relations with a view of his being sent to Washington in case that certain representations made to the American government are received with favor at Washington, according to a statement by Minister of Foreign Relations Mariscal.

"Mexico's policy is not yet defined," continued the governor. "The attitude to be taken by this country will depend upon developments. In fact, these developments are being awaited, meanwhile this country is remaining neutral. The situation is of course grave, but it is not considered as necessary for Mexico to take a stand either way in the matter, as the present issue is strictly between the United States and Nicaragua."

Wants Only Peace. "In so far as regards Central America as a whole, Mexico is anxious to see peace preserved and that all of the countries observe the provisions of the Washington treaty. To this end Mexico will be glad to assist the United States. This country naturally feels a deep interest in Central America through the bonds of language, sentiments, and habits, and is anxious to contribute to all that tends towards its well being."

Touching the possibility of Governor Creel being sent to Washington, Mr. Mariscal said that Mr. Creel was possibly fitted for such a mission having been ambassador at Washington.

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Elkdom's Day Of Sorrow.



TRIED TO BRIBE LAWYER TO ALTER WILL OF NIECE ON HER DEATH BED

Elderly Woman Accused of Murdering Her Niece Offered to Pay Him in Life Insurance Policies. Seemed to Have Woman Under Hypnotic Spell. Appealed to Him When She Was Absent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The developments which came to light in the mysterious death of Mrs. Osey Wardlaw Martin Sneed, whose lifeless body was found last week in a bath tub in a deserted house in East Orange, make the case against her aunt, Miss Virginia Wardlaw, who has been arrested charged with the murder, look darker.

A Strange Visit. In describing the visit to the home Mr. Carabba tells a weird story which savors of the ghastly mysteries of Poe. In his story in the police of the visit to the home he said:

"Mrs. Sneed lay there on the cot watching the two women and scarcely able to move or say a word. I thought she was in a coma, until suddenly Miss Wardlaw, in a wild voice, asked her if she did not want to make a new will. The police were going on all the time, and at the question Mrs. Sneed answered in a clear voice, as though impelled by some power that she could not resist, or so it seemed to me: 'Yes, I do.'"

"My God, woman!" I exclaimed, "this woman is dying. She needs a doctor and nourishment and care. I'll get a doctor."

"I was naturally dumbfounded at this turn of affairs, but saw that the time was short, and in great haste opened up the will and scratched in a few words hurriedly to conform to her instructions. I had barely finished and pushed the will into my pocket when the two old women came back into the room."

"I wrote out a check for \$5 and Mrs. Sneed indorsed it. As this was being done I caught sight of two new twenty dollar gold bills in a bag held by one of the old women. 'Why,' said I, 'I thought you had no money.'"

MORGAN WORKING ONLY FOR PUBLIC INTEREST IN BUYING EQUITABLE

Desires to Safeguard it from all Possible Financial Disturbance.

PLAN FOR CONTROL

ALBANY, Dec. 4.—J. Pierpont Morgan's purpose in purchasing a majority control of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance society, as stated by himself and his partner, George W. Perkins was made public tonight in a statement issued by State Superintendent of Insurance Hochkiss.

"Mr. Morgan said to me that in acquiring the stock, he had but a single purpose—namely, to prevent the being sold to different individuals and thus make it impossible that at the expiration of the present voting trusteeship, this great interest could be used to the detriment of the policyholders. He stated further that he desired the co-operation of the insurance department in working out a plan whereby the stock—which means the control of the company—would be safeguarded in the interest of the policyholders and that I could assure governor Hughes that no steps to that end would be taken by him save with the concurrence of the insurance department."

"Later in the day I had a talk with Mr. George W. Perkins, of J. P. Morgan and company, who referred to what Mr. Morgan had said, and stated that the gentleman desired shortly to take up with the insurance department the matter of so placing the control of the Equitable stock outside the present or any future financial situation in New York or in the country as would end for all time the dangers which lurk in an individual holding."

ROB POSTOFFICE.

ATHOL, Mass., Dec. 3.—An accounting of the contents of the post office safe, blown open by a band of seven robbers early today, showed that the cracksmen got away with over \$2,000 in stamps and \$550 in cash. The authorities tonight are completely mystified as to the robbers' identity and whereabouts.

TRANSPORT PRAIRIE IS STILL STUCK IN THE MUD; NO PROSPECT OF RELEASE

Officers and Men, Filled with Lust of War Chafing at Delay.

REMOVING THE CARGO

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—With nearly all her coal and great quantities of stores on lighters, the transport Prairies still fast tonight in the mud flats of Penarth Island where she grounded Thursday night while speeding down the Delaware river on her way to Central America. Another attempt, the third since she became fast, was made of flood tide late today to float the vessel but she was not moved. The big transport is 225 feet long and 32 feet in the beam, and has a cargo of 10,000 tons. It is now believed that every bit of her cargo will have to be taken off before there will be a chance to free her. According to river men the Prairies is about 250 feet west of the main channel. Four tugs worked on the ship two hours this afternoon. Admiral Kimball on board the Prairies is in constant communication by wireless with the navy department at Washington and he expects to receive orders during the night with regard to further attempts to float the vessel. As the Prairies is resting in a bed of mud there has been no injury to her hull.

ARGUE LEGAL POINTS FOUR WHOLE DAYS.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 4.—The trial of H. Gary Pierce in the district court of Travis county progressed slowly. For four days the questions as to whether or not perjury could be assigned to the affidavit which he made, because of its indefiniteness and because it was a mere expression of opinion, and a question of whether a woman is entitled to be a regular public under the constitution and laws of Texas as the affidavit was made before a woman and the statute of limitations in the penal code of Texas will protect the non-resident the same as the resident, have been under discussion.

MURDERS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN IN DISPUTE OVER SALE OF HER HOUSE

Children Saw Enraged Man Slaughtering Family and Gave the Alarm.

MAKES HIS ESCAPE.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 4.—Mrs. Josephine Manning and two of her children, Annie and Jimmie Lappin, were murdered in the kitchen of their home here at noon today in a quarrel over money matters. Joe Lappin, the father of the family, was totally strangled. Search tonight was directed toward Antonio Manning, husband and step-father, who left the house immediately after the tragedy for the southeastern part of town where his relatives are said to live.

Manning's killed and I'm hit," he cried, running to the street and then ran back into the house in an effort to save the lives of the other children, but fell dying on the threshold.

ADMITS FRAUD IN DEAL IN COTTON

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 4.—There is to be no preliminary hearing in the case of J. E. Smith, charged with adding ten bales to a one bale weighers certificate and collecting about seven hundred for cotton from Baber Bros., more than he was entitled to.

STARVING, WAITS FOR LORD TO TELL HIM TO EAT

Consumptive Has Fasted Month and Vows will not Eat Until Lord Speaks.

ROME, Dec. 4.—Viewing that he will not allow food to pass his lips until Almighty God speaks to him, and commencing to eat, William Tippen, a contractor, and incarcerated in several prisons here, has fasted for twenty-eight days. He has suffered from tuberculosis for several years but he says that through faith and fasting he will be cured. His theory is that food simply furnishes fuel for the disease. Although his wife and friends beg him to eat he declares he will not do so until the voice of his commander has been heard. He says he is not hungry and has no desire for food and will await such time as God will. It is reported his appetite is fast returning.

Advertisement for a 'FAIR' in Washington, D.C. on Monday, December 6, 1909. The fair is for North Carolina and is held in the first building of its kind in Statesville. It is a day of little interest.

LIVELY HOTEL ROW IS NOW ON AT STATESVILLE

Present Lessee Declares that he has Right to Stay and will not Vacate.

STATESVILLE, N. C., Dec. 4.—The latest developments in the hotel row here are interesting in that on Saturday, Mr. E. G. Gilmer, the present lessee, after being served with a notice to vacate by the new lessee, Mr. S. H. Holland, declares that he has a lease on the hotel until March 1, 1910, and will not vacate next month.

Tippen is very weak and unable to leave his bed and his death is daily expected.

BRADLEY SCHOONER NOT WRECKED AS REPORTED

Storm Drove Other Schooners of New Foundland Fishing Fleet on Rocks.

ST. JOHN'S, N. C., Dec. 4.—The Gloucester, Mass., fishing schooner, John R. Bradley, which became widely known through her capture by Dr. Frederick A. Cook on his Arctic expedition and which was reported last night to have been wrecked in the recent gale off the coast of Newfoundland, is safe at Bonnie Bay. Three other Gloucester vessels, the Clinton, the Henry M. Stanley and the Mabel R. Hines were driven on the rocks off Bay of Islands (a total loss) it is understood that the Hines also was completely wrecked, but that the Clinton later came off the rocks only slightly damaged. The crews were saved.

The mail steamer, Fortis, reported wrecked during her passage from Sydney, C. E. to Bonnie Bay reached Bonnie Bay after a terrible experience in the storm. She sustained much damage. Four New Foundland fishing schooners also have been driven ashore on the west coast. Their crews reached land in their boats after a hard struggle and much suffering from cold and hunger and exposure.

WILLING TO RESIGN IF KNOX' CHARGES ARE PROVEN TRUE

Zelaya Asks United States to Make Investigation Into Conditions

PRESIDENT WILL LAY CASE BEFORE CONGRESS

Will Ask Authority to Take Any Step Necessary to Cope With Situation

MANAGUA, Dec. 4.—President Zelaya has asked the United States to send a commission to Nicaragua to investigate conditions existing here and says that if its findings show that his administration is detrimental to Central America he will resign.

President Zelaya believes that the information sent to the United States regarding cruelties practiced by his government is prejudiced and that a disinterested investigation would show matters in a better light.

LEAVE IT TO CONGRESS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—There seems to be little doubt that the president will lay before congress at a nearly date the facts as to the Nicaraguan situation with a view to receiving authority for any further steps he may see fit to take in the interest of Americans residing in that country and with a view to putting an end to the interminable strife in Central America.

The question of indemnity for the killing of the American, Cannon and Gross, is still held in abeyance and there is reason to believe that no demand will be made until the issue between the Zelayan government and the revolutionists has been settled.

With the arrival at Corinto possibly today or tomorrow of the cruiser Albany and the gun boat Yorktown from Magdalena Bay, they will be in a position to take an aggressive step on any occasion may demand for the protection of American interests along the Pacific coast of Nicaragua.

CANNON HAD GRUDGE. RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 4.—Leroy Cannon was beaten in prison by Zelaya's orders and was eager for revenge," said Itham Sedgwick, a coffee planter of Nicaragua who is in this city visiting his relatives today.

"I knew Cannon very well," continued Mr. Sedgwick, "the last time I saw him was on July 1st at Corinto. He had escaped from prison. He told me he was determined to get even with Zelaya for having him

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HENS SO PROUD OF DYED TAILS CAN'T STOP TO LAY

Poultry Fancier Wanted Plumage to Match Her Aprons and Colored them.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Partly for esthetic and partly for practical reasons Mrs. Herman Albers of Flatlands dyed the tails of all her white leghorn hens purple and green, and as soon as the hens discovered what had happened they began to run around in circles. Up to a late hour last night they had not stopped running long enough to lay an egg or to roost. Mrs. Albers is the wife of a well known sporting man; their home is No. 1331 East Thirty-seventh street.

As for the esthetic and practical reasons, Mrs. Albers wears a green and purple striped apron when she goes to feed the chickens and, being a woman, she has a peculiar habit when she decided to go in for hens recently that to succeed and get eggs when eggs are worth 50 cents a dozen the poultry woman "must have the hen in her heart"—that is, love the hen and love her as much in common with it as possible.

She thought that one good thing would be to have similarity in colors. Mrs. Albers didn't want to wear a white apron to match the tails in the hen yard, for it would get too messy, so she made the tails match the apron.