



The Vale of Aragon By Fred McLaughlin

THE STORY

In the city of New Orleans, in 1821, Loren Garde, recently an officer under General Jackson, is surprised by the appearance, in ancient Spanish costume, of two men and a woman whose beauty enchants him.

CHAPTER VI—Continued

I laughed softly, for I saw another chance at life, and another chance to win the glorious Lamartina. "If Bolivar has many men like you, Manuel—" We turned toward the south and ran for half a mile, stopping at last in the gloom afforded by a tall adobe building.

He was silent, and I continued: "I have told the Senorita, Polito, of my love, and failed miserably, as I deserve." He offered no comment. "She told me, today, in the home of the good Tomas, that tomorrow she would wed De Fuentes."

Senorita: anyone who is Spanish—"Yes, Senor, yes; I must go." "You will be safe in Ocumare." Dismounting I caught the bridle of her horse and whirled him around toward the north. "When this nightmare of murder is over, Senorita, shall I find you?"

News Review of Current Events the World Over

James M. Beck's Interesting Suggestions to Congress—Butler May Be G. O. P. Chairman—British Parliament in Action.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

OUR eminent statesmen are converging on Washington already in preparation for the session of congress that opens in December, and each one seems to have his own ideas of what should be done to save the nation.



J. M. Beck.

James M. Beck, Republican representative from Pennsylvania, is always listened to respectfully, and now, on his return from a trip to Europe, he has a lot to say. He decided the plight was due to "excessive taxation for socialistic purposes and fears the United States is in grave danger of being led into the same road."

ous expressions concerning the situation by labor leaders, cabinet members, congressmen and others. In general the idea was condemned, but many agreed with William Green, head of the American Federation of Labor, who asserted that work must be provided the idle by industry.

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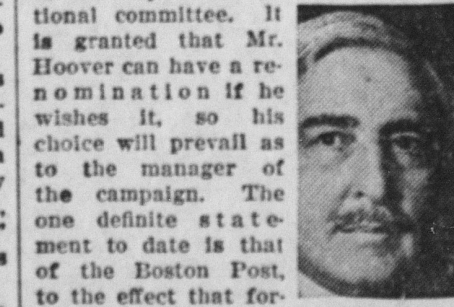


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THAT amazing story of the defalcations of Walter E. Wolfe, manager of the coupon department of the Continental Illinois bank of Chicago, was made almost complete by an announcement from Arthur Reynolds, chairman of the board of directors.

Gossip about national politics now includes discussion concerning the man who shall succeed Senator Simeon D. Fess of Ohio as chairman of the Republican national committee.



W. M. Butler.

It is granted that Mr. Hoover can have a nomination if he wishes it, so his choice will prevail as to the manager of the campaign. The one definite statement to date is that of the Boston Post, to the effect that former Senator William M. Butler of Massachusetts has been approached by close friends of President Hoover regarding his acceptance of the place.

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LOWELL Bayles of Springfield, Mass., who a few years ago was a miner working underground, is the new American king of the air, for he won the Thompson trophy race at the national air races in Cleveland, making the new record of an average speed of 230 miles an hour in his Gee Bee supersportster over the 100 mile closed course.

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Claim Persimmon Tree Native of New England

It is not generally known that the persimmon tree is a native of New England, having been found apparently wild in Rhode Island and Connecticut. It is much better known and more beautiful down south, where it is an orchard tree.

a firm stand in dealing with the Chinese rulers of Manchuria, who have sought pretexts to delay answering queries from Tokyo.

Six military planes of the Ninth division at Kanazawa dropped 100,000 handbills that called the attention of the nation to the danger of Japanese interests in Manchuria being jeopardized.

WHAT the members of the League of Nations assembly termed a "lamentable error" was rectified when the assembly met in Geneva and almost immediately adopted a resolution inviting Mexico to join the league.

Lord Cecil of England said the admission of Mexico would rectify an error in the formation of the league, adding "I must admit I personally had a part in committing this error."

While the statesmen were paying tribute to Mexico, her observer at Geneva, Martinez de Alba, walked about the auditorium smiling and shaking hands with the leading delegates.

Following close on the announcement that the farm board will sell 15,000,000 bushels of its wheat to China comes the news that Germany is dickering for the purchase of 200,000 tons from the same source.

The policies of the farm board came in for condemnation on the part of many representatives, who declared that the board's policy of discouraging production of such crops as wheat and cotton was detrimental.

CHILE'S naval mutiny ended almost as suddenly as it began and peace once more reigns in that country, officially, at least. The rebels, who objected to various government measures, held out until the air force went in to action against them.

The government has started an investigation into the guilt of those involved, more than 2,700 enlisted men and petty officers. Other hundreds of men, some of them in the army, took part in the seizure of the bases at Talcahuano and Valparaiso.

The nation was generous in praise of the conduct of the aviation division, and attaches of embassies and legations remarked that it was the first time in a Latin-American revolt that aircraft had conquered a navy to protect a government.

The senate proposed to the cabinet that one of the outstanding heroes of the rebellion, Lieut. Fernando de La Paz, be raised to the rank of major. The lieutenant defended single-handed the powder magazine at Talcahuano and killed seven insurgent soldiers with seven shots when they tried to rush him.

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