# AN AMBASSADOR AIN'T A JOB, IT'S AN EXPENSIVE PLEASURE TRIP FOR A RICH BUSINESS MAN," SAYS ZAPP

"But It's a Big Honor to See Kings and Queens a Hundred Times Every Night in the Year," He Adds

jirsky, However, Is Skeptical of Diplomacy-"It Ain't Such a Kunst, After All, to Be an Ambassador," He Declares—"All an Ambassador Does is What He Is Told."

evertheless, Zapp Is Convinced That It Is a "Quincidence That Wilson Should Send Colonel House to Europe a Couple of Days Before They Come Back From Their Honeymoon"-Mrs. Wilson Doesn't Like Him, He Insists

T'S a quincidence, anyway," said Barnett Zapp, the waist manueturer, in Wasserbauer's restaurant, he wiped from his eyebrows the reumstantial evidence of a charlotte

"What's a quincidence?" Louis Bir-

y, the real estater, asked. That they should send him to Euope a couple of days before they come ack from their honeymoon," Birsky "Which it's either a quincidence she says to him, 'Maybe you like to we that feller hanging around the se all the time, but me not.' And . Wilson says, 'Aber the feller is och old friend o. mine,' and she s: 'What do you mean, an old fiend? Bryan is also an old friend yours-Colonel Harvey, too, and udley P. Malone and Charles K. Jurphy and Gott weiss wer nachnd if you are going to have all that estand, instead of the White House, Washington, I might just so well be nning the Palmer House, Chicago, the Yates House, Sarahcuse.' 'Well, that could I do?' Mr. Wilson says. Send him to Mexico, she says. 'I aready sent him to Mexico.' 'Then and him to Europe.' 'I sent him to Purope, too, says Mr. Wilson nebich. Ir. Wilson rings him up from Hot Springs, Va., and after the girl tells him when through talking to please deposit one cent internal revenue tax in the quarter slot, he mays to Colonel loue is he doing anything next Satnday, and if not be a good feller and the a run over to Europe and see that Mr. Page and Mr. Gerard and dis here Sharp is up to over there." "What are you talking nonsense, app?" Birsky exclaimed. "Mrs. Wil- a bank in Houston, Tex." didn't got nothing to do with

Dries

By MONTAGUE GLASS

"The president of the bank asks him does he know a friend of his

"Didn't she?" Zapp said. "Then why did Mr. Wilson send him there?" if the Kaiser of Germany would send

"Ain't you yourself just now telling me that Colonel House is an old friend years a prominent banker in Bingen from Mr. Wilson, and he wants to find out what them fellers is up to over there?" Birsky said. "Furthermore, he's got a lot of confidence in Colonel House on account he used to was a prominent banker in Houston, Tex."

"Sure, I know, Birsky," Zapp continued, "but if I would got a couple big concerns in Chicago which is getting pretty shaky on me, and I want to send out there some one he should look after my interests, y'understand, would I get an old friend to go for me, supposing even he is the prominentest banker in a larger town as Houston and much nearer New York -say, for example, Hoboken? No, Birsky; I would send to Chicago a perfect stranger, which all his life made a specialty of bankruptcy law, because while I am satisfied that any friend of President Wilson is a decent, respectable feller, y'understand, and that Houston, Tex., is a good live town for its size, understand me, the place where a Houston banker would do the least harm, y'understand, is in

"What harm could Colonel House do in Europe?" Birsky asked.

less it was that when Mr. Wilson got his position as President he took all his old friends in the business directory, from architectural iron works to yarns, domestic and imported, and fixed them up with jobs alphabetically. For instance, old friends up to and including hotel supplies and house furnishings gets postmaster jobs and he appoints Judges and custom house collectors from insurance brokers and interior decorators, and when he reached the P's he had Ambassadors' jobs to hand out, so he puts a printer and publisher in London and a pig iron manufacturer in Paris, and probably you would find an old friend of Mr. Wilson in the plumbing supply business is Ambassador to Sweden, and another old friend in the pants business Ambassador to Norway, and so on from paints and painters' supplies through pickles down to portable houses.'

"Well, after all," Birsky said, "it ain't such a Kunst to be an Ambassador. All an Ambassador does is what

"And they couldn't even do that," Zapp continued. "That's why, according to some people, President Wilson is sending Colonel House to make them fellers stay on the job, on account Colonel House being a banker, naturally a printer or a pig iron manufacturer looks up to such a feller. which all of them bankers is connected one with the other in bankers' as-"I don't know," Zapp replied, "but sociations, and if that Ohio pig iron manufacturer gets fresh with Colonel House, understand me, the next time the pig iron trade becomes a little quiet and the manufacturer goes round to see the president of the Kosciusko with the King of Bulgaria, y'under-Bank in Ellyria, O., and tells him stand, Bulgaria would now be as neu-



"Mr. Wilson rings him up from

"It is nothing for that feller to see Kings a hundred times every night in the year." y'understand, and the president of the year." bank says so House told him, and the fact is that money ain't as easy as in former times and would like the pig iron manufacturer to clean up."

"Aber if the feller is so short for 'Why don't he stay at home and atbe an Ambassador?"

"Well, I'll tell you," Zapp explained; "it ain't when a feller goes Ambassadors don't get no salary to expense account?" speak about, and the expenses is ter-

"Because it's a big honor to be an | paid, and the Congressmen says where | for a rich business man."

that business could be better and it Ambassador," Zapp said. "Supposing do they come in that they should

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tens and deuces," Birsky said. "Is it of ten, all that a Congressman goes any wonder he comes home broke?" "I am speaking from real Kings and Congress again."

Queens, Birsky, which it costs just so money as all that," Birsky inquired, much money to see real Kings and that they want to hold their jobs," Queens every night as though they Birsky said. tend to business instead of going to would be kings full of queens in a table stakes game," Zapp went on.

"That's what everybody says," Zapp replied. "The Ambassadors As- sky asked. "Then what do they want to be sociation puts it up to Congress lots

could be worse, understand me, and a feller would be the biggest manu- give Ambassadors money to spend in would like to renew on the fifteen hun- facturer of pig iron in the State of Berlin oder London. United States dred dollar note that comes due next Ohio, and if he meets once in six Congressmen ain't running for Con-Wednesday, y'understand, the presi- months a couple of Congressmen oder gress in Berlin oder London, and the dent of the bank asks him does he a Judge, he's doing immense, y'under- way they figure, if an Ambassador in know a friend of his by the name stand; whereas, when he becomes an Paris buys six quarts ice cream and House used to was a banker in Hous- Ambassador, Birsky, it is nothing for a couple cases beer every afternoon of ton, Tex., and the pig iron manufac- that feller to see Kings and Queens a his life, the money might just so well turer says yes, he met him in Paris, hundred times every night of the be paid over to the cashier of the Honest Ballot Association for all the "And probably the best he holds is good it does, because nine times out to Congress for is to get elected to

"Well, you can't blame those fellers

"A feller which is so anxious to hold his job that he couldn't show re-"Well, if it's necessary in their sults to the people he is working for," business for Ambassadors to spend so | Zapp said, "would better be without to be an Ambassador that he's short much money," Birsky asked, "Why a job; it don't make no difference if of money. It's when he comes back. don't the Government allow them an he's a Congressman oder a shipping clerk."

"How about an Ambassador?" Bir-

"An Ambassador ain't a job," Zapp Ambassadors for?" Birsky demanded. of times that their expenses should be said. "It's an expensive pleasure trip

## ROMANCE OF SHIPS AND 'OLD SALTS' GOING,

Modern Steamship Spells Doom of Sea Literature, Says Prof. Wesselhoeft

lonel House going to Europe."

CIENCE'S BLOW AT ART

The modern steamship, which makes it sible for man to cross the ocean in the days, spells the doom of the piccome sailor, the "old salt," immor-led by the great writers of fiction.

Me is the opinion of Prof. Edward C. boeft, of the University of Penn-Ivania, expressed this afternoon in a cure at Houston Hall on "The Sea and Sailor in Fiction."

rofessor Wesselhoeft sees the end of romances of the sea. He thinks that sub Conrad, the Anglicized Pole, now conized as one of the world's great veilats, will prove to be the last great fer of sea stories. He thinks that tratives of the sort made famous by train Marryat, W. Clark Russell, Jack ado and others will soon be a thing

With the passing of the sailing ship."
I the speaker. "there passes also a all romance which the sea has always for us, owing, no doubt, greatly to very uncertainty, and there passes, eall a type of men whose lives have at in such close contact with the of wind and water, with the en-to subdue these forces to their Purpose, sometimes with success. These unsuccessfully, that their very eter had been molded thereby—and had certain characteristics peculiar or profession."

referred to the finest sailing ship of as "but the lineal descendant of wavel of ancient times or the Chinak," and said that the professional sailing ship sailor of today is the professional descendant of the men manned them. med them.

with man's victory over the sea, with saming of the sailing ship, the short-of all sea voyages, the opening of hama Canal, Joseph Conrad may last of the great sea writers who ble to sincerely look upon the sea forefathers for generations have d

Oil Burns Woman, Aged 80 s oil, which splashed from an and lamp she was Jrinming, set the clothing of Mrs. Mary Mayby years old, 1918 North Carlisle and she was burned so badly that the film on was untailinguish the flames at once.

#### CARRANZA TO RETURN LAND TO PEOPLE

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the Carranza Government hopes to end the dissatisfaction that has long existed among the Indians, whose lands were taken away by past governments without U. OF P. MEN TOLD

#### VILLA AND BAND TRAPPED IN PASS: ESCAPE UNLIKELY

Carranza Troops Besiege Retreat of Bandit Chief and Followers

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 22. — Francisco Villa and 200 of his followers are reported, in a dispatch received here early today from Madera, to have been surrounded by pursuing Carranza soldiers in the Sierra Madre Mountains, between Pearson and Galeana.

son and Galeana.

The message states that the rebel leader and his men are in a strongly fortified mountain pass, and, though escape is impossible, the Carranzistas will be unable to make their final attack until reinforce-

to make their final attack until reinforcements arrive from Casas Grandes.

Several of the bandit chief's followers who had made requests for amnesty declared that from Villa's hiding place his loyal band could stand off a regiment. The Carrangistas, pursuing the sole object of capturing Villa dead or alive are endeavoring to cut off his food supply.

The new revolution started around Torreon by a combination of Villa. Argumuedo, Zapata and other enemies of the de facto government was receiving serious attention from the Carranza government today.

The rebellion, which threatens Americand

The rebellion, which threatens Ameri-

The rebellion, which threatens Americans and foreigners there, is in a territory the Carranzistas had regarded as completely under their control.

John Lawrence, a N-year-old American youth who narrowly escaped death when Bert L. Akers, an American rancher, was killed by Mexican cattle thieves yeaterday afternoon, five miles east of Juarez, arrived here this morning with Texas rangers who had been zent out when news of Akers' death arrived.

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The boy declared that Akers was shot to death while fleeing from the cabin where the cattle thieves had been found. According to Lawrence, he and Akers, accompanied by a Mexican officer from the Cafranza garrison in Juarez, crossed the Rio Grande at Yaleta Friday morning to search for two cows which had been stolen by Mexican cattle thieves several days before at a small ranch on the American side. Yaleta is 11 miles east of here. The three men, unarmed, approached a Mexican hut where the men suspected of the theft were known to be hiding.

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at him several times.

Akers was killed while trying to cacape, but Lawrence made his way down the ditch to the river which marks the boundary. He crossed to the American side about dark. When the news reached Juarez, General Gastiers, garrison commander, sent a detachment of men to the scene and gaptured several Mexicans.

### JEWS PLAN \$100,000 SCHECHTER MEMORIAL

Chair of Theology to Be Endowed at Seminary in New York

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on the Rhine to see what could be done

tral as Toronto, Canada. What the

in England, Germany and France,"

"Well, how did them fellers get ap-

"I don't know," Zapp replied, "un-

pointed Ambassadors?" Birsky asked.

Germany and France."\_

Birsky protested.

Ellyria, O."

Efforts are being made by Philadel phia alumni of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York city, to obtain financial aid for the country-wide movement to raise \$100,000 to endow a chair in Jewish theology in memory of the inte Professor Solomon Schechter for many years president of the seminary and one of the foremost Jewish scholars in America. Doctor Schechter died re-

"Solomon Schechter Memorial Fund" for the maintenance of the chair. Let-ters 'are being sent to hundreds of Jews in this city, asking for financial support. Already a fund has been raised

support. Already a fund has been raised by the directors and the alumni of the seminary, but because of the limited num-ber of these public aid has been asked. Those conducting the campaign here are the Rev. Leon H. Elmaleh. Congre-gation Mikve Israel; the Rev. Samuel Fredman, Congregation Beth El; the Rev. Julius Freenstone, Gratz College: Julius Freenstone, Gratz College; the Rev. Max D. Klein, Congregation Adath Jeshurun: the Rev. Oscar Levin, Con-gregation Adath Zion; the Rev. Raphael H. Melamed, Congregation Ohel Javob; the Rev. Marvin Nathan, Congregation Beth Israel; Abraham A. Neuman, Prop-sie College, and Henry M. Speaker, prin-cipal of Gratz College.

#### BISHOP HOBAN TOLD OF THREAT AGAINST LIFE

Head of Scranton Diocese Receives Warning Letter From Woman

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 22.—The life of the Right Rev. M. J. Hoban, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Scranton, has been threatened by sympathizers of the faction opposed to the Bishop that participated in a riot outside a Polish Catholic Church at du Pont last Sunday. "I received a letter lodgy from a Cath-olic woman at du Pont, teling me that she overheard a conversation at which olic woman at du Pont, teiling me that she overheard a conversation at which it was decided that my life should be taken. I'm not losing any sleep over the threat," Blahop Hoban said.

The Bishop has learned, he said, that agitators sent here by the Industrial Workers of the World had something to do with the riot at du Pont, in which one rioter was killed and two score of people, including 10 State Troopers seriously in

ncluding 10 State Troopers, seriously in-

Hoban to the du Pont Church, no attempt will be made to resume services Sunday morning. The Bishop announced the insurance on the church has been canceled by the insurance ompanies, due to threats being made that the edifice would be burned.

Bishop Hoban denies a statement issued. by the leaders of the faction opposing him in the du Pont church quarrel, and in which the Bishop is accussed of insulting the committee sent to him by the faction. "If telling them the truth is insulting them, then I certainly must have insulted them," the Bishop said.

### LOWER ELECTRIC RATE FOR LARGE CONSUMER IS URGED BY EXPERT

Reduction Should Favor Him Rather Than Small Consumer, Says W. J. Norton

#### DISAGREES MONAGHAN

And theory that any proposed rate reduction should be so adjusted as to benefit the large consumer rather than the small consumer, advanced today by William J. Norton, of Chicago, secretary of the Rate Research Commission of the National Electrical Association, put an entirely new issue into the continued hearing before the Public Service Com-mission, of charges by former Director Cooke, of the Department of Public Works, and others that the rates of the

Philadelphia Electric Company are ex-orbitant for inadequate service. "Bankers throughout the country are getting nervous over the widespread rate regulation," he said, testifying for the company, "The investigations by various commissions and changes ordered in rates make it difficult for companies to get

make it difficult for companies to get money to finance their extensions. As a result they have been forced to adopt a conservative policy for a time."

Mr. Norton, who is a prominent engineer, former assistant secretary of the New York Public Service Commission and in charge of the corporation appraisal work of that body, said there was "no profit in the small consumers"—householders who use only a small quantity of electricity. They hardly "carry themselves," he declared, leaving the profits to be gleaned from the railway companies, trolley systems and other large corporations that use electricity. On that basis he urged that if rates are On that basis he urged that if rates are reduced it should be done to benefit the missioner John Monaghan disagreed

We must remember that during the iong existence of the electric companies the burden of their business has been the burden of their dusiness has been with what you term the small consumer," he said. "Only recently have they begun furnishing light and power to the large corporations, and, in the meantime, the small consumer has enabled them to exist. For that reason, do you not think that the small consumer should be considered.

"We want practical suggestions from you for a readjustment of the rate sched-The hearing will be continued next

Jury Lauds Judge Wessel

Judge Wessel, of Court of Common Picus No. 2, was complimented today by Pleas No. 2, was complimented today by a jury that had just been discharged after a service of three weeks for the manner in which the business of his court was conducted. Through Franklin Hall, of lills North 13th street, acting as spokesman, the jury thanked Judge Wessel for the clear manner in which the salient features of all the cases had been presented to them and for the concise way in which all the charges to the jury were made.

## SINGLE WORD TELLS HER OF SON'S DEATH

Letter Stamped "Deceased" Returned to Mother Here of "Soldier Boy"

Mrs. Edith Mahon, a pianist of distinction, has received a letter from abroad with the word "Deceased" rubber-stamped upon the envelope. She had written the letter herself and addressed it to her son, who was fighting with the British against the Turks on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The rubber-stamp method of the overworked British "dead letter" department is not as familiar in this country as it is in England and the letter came to Mrs. Mahon

as a terrible shock. She is at her home, 1330 Spring Garden street, suffering from the effects of the

Mrs. Mahon and her sons were born in England. The elder, Owen G. Forrest, has a position in the office of the secreof the Pennsylvania Railroad. The tary of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The younger, Richard L. G. Forrest, was living in New Zealand when the war began. Both had been to South Africa, where they studied in the University of the Orange Free State at Bloemfontein, and Owen fought in the South African War. He became an expert in railroading and after he tired of the life of adventure came to this city to join his mother. Richard, who would a 26 years old now, if he were alive, was more devoted to the life of adventure.

The young man had gone to do rail-roading work in New Zealand and his taste for daring was satisfied in pioneering construction work there. a moment's time in joining the A. kland Mounted Rifles 18 months ago, 1 ing from Wanganul when the war s . 1

He was attached to headquarters as a staff signalman and wrote to his moth-er that he had never been happier. An excellent horseman and marksman who could pick off a bounding antelope at 1996 yards, he also had a physique equal to any hardship. As the war progressed Mrs. Mahon heard less often from her son, but understood that it was difficult for soldlers to write often.

About five months ago, on August 5, Richard sent a postcard to his mother, saying he was well. He must have been killed shortly after that as his mother's letter, which was returned, should have reached her son about August 19.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES Peter Zinkaltis, Wynnewood, Pa., and Mary F. Byrne, Wynnewood, Pa.

Joseph Galks, 2319 S. Millick et., and Zofia Lucrainska, 2310 S. Millick et. David Hauptman, 3th Gaskill at , and Esther Cooper, 1014 N. Marshall at. Louis E. Goggin, 1224 Walnut at., and Agnes M. Hogan, 1821 Vineyard at. M Hogan, 1821 Vineyard at.

Howard J Sanderson, 1817 N; 88th at., and
Margaret G, Flynn, 1238 N; Carlinie M.

J Sherrard Christle, 1820 Arch at., and Carolyn C Hergen, 1850 W Eric ave.

Herbert F, Cook, 2238 N, Chadwick at., and
Caroline Bayer, 2238 N, Chadwick at., and
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Mary Lutz, 5412 M. Verron at.

### Y. M. C. A. SPEAKER WILL SPEAK ON "PREPAREDNESS"

A new angle on "Preparedness" will be given tomorrow afternoon at the Central Y. M. C. A., at 3:30 c'clock, by Dr. W. Barnes Lower. The 'meeting will be of special interest to men, and the subject for the address by Dr. Lower will be "A Call for Recruits-Put Down My Name, Sie".

before and is well known to local Bible students. His topic tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the theatre meeting will be "Judaism, Spiritualism, Christian be "Judaism, Spiritualism, Christian Science and Christianity," Special music

### Chief Vogelson Recovered

The speaker is well known in Philadelphia, A special attraction for the afternoon will be the Cramps' Shipyard Male Quartet, which will sing several selections.

The speaker at the Keystone Theatre service, under the auspices of the North Branch Y. M. C. A. and co-operating



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