

**EUROPE MAY ASK U. S. TO COLLECT MEXICAN CLAIMS**

Damages of \$420,000,000 for Property Destroyed to Be Sought in Washington

**WAR POSSIBLE RESULT**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Uncle Sam is to be made the collection agent for Europe as soon as the war is over. Claims against Mexico for more than \$420,000,000 worth of property destroyed in Mexico during the revolution there are to be filed with the United States Government for collection, according to reliable information. It has been reported that several million dollars of damage claims were already on file in the American State Department, having been sent to Washington by Great Britain, France and Germany, but Secretary of State Lansing said today that so far none of these claims had been received.

Because of the interference of the United States in Mexican affairs and the existence of the Monroe Doctrine, which prevents the seizure of Mexican territory as a liquidation of claims, it is generally believed this government will be expected to take care of the European losses that have resulted from the continuation of outlaws in Mexico for more than three years. Representative Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio, recognized as one of the best authorities on international affairs in the American State Department, has made a formal declaration that there is great danger of the United States and Great Britain becoming involved in war because of the claims of the latter nation on Mexico for millions of property destroyed.

"That Great Britain holds us responsible for conditions in Mexico, and looks to us to care for her interests, was indicated strongly within the last two weeks when she made representations to Carranza, not direct but through the United States Government, on the reported existence of a German submarine base on the east coast of Mexico. We transmitted the representations made by Great Britain to Mexico without comment, but the action aroused the hostility of Mexico. Great Britain feared the destruction of her tankers which carry oil from the Tampico districts to Europe.

Many close students of international affairs believe as Representative Fess does, that as soon as the European nations get through with their present bloody conflict they will make demands on Mexico for a settlement for all property destroyed there which was owned by European citizens.

"What will there be for us but war," asked Representative Fess. "If England demands immediate payment for destruction of her oil and other valuable properties in Mexico? Mexico has no money with which to pay. Is it not entirely probable that England may say, 'Very well then; we will take a naval base or a coaling station in settlement?' The Monroe Doctrine would make it necessary for us to resist any such territorial acquisition. War would be inevitable."

**PUT RESPONSIBILITY ON U. S.**

Many officials in Europe feel that the losses to their governments would have resulted had the United States followed them in recognizing Huerta as the President of Mexico. The refusal of President Wilson to do this and his action in forcing Huerta to leave the country by setting Vera Cruz, are regarded as placing the responsibility of Mexico on the shoulders of the United States. Recognition of whether Huerta was an assassin, as contended by President Wilson, the European nations take the position that he was the legal President of Mexico. When he was forced to leave and no legal head of the Government was left, they began looking to the United States for the protection of their interests.

**\$25,000 FIRE IN CAMDEN PLANT**

Curtain Rod Manufacturing Company's Works on Broadway Damaged by Blaze of Unknown Origin

A two-alarm fire that threatened an entire block caused \$25,000 damages to the Curtain Rod Manufacturing Company's plant, 1548 Broadway, Camden, early today and was extinguished after a hard fight.

Absence of wind and the efforts of the firemen confined the flames to the rear of the four-story frame structure, where the blaze was discovered by Policeman Johnson. The origin of the fire is unknown. It was discovered among machinery and, after consuming two carloads of lumber, crept to the second floor.

A year and a half ago the plant was struck by lightning, and the fire that resulted caused \$15,000 damage.

**Jersey Hughes Men Spent \$2612.33**

TRENTON, Nov. 17.—The Hughes Alliance of New Jersey spent \$2612.33, according to a statement filed with the Secretary of State today.

**MORE FUNDS PROMISED FOR STATE COLLEGE**

Governor and Legislators Attending Celebration Pledge Adequate Appropriations

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., Nov. 17.—Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh and scores of legislators attending the State College celebration of Pennsylvania Day today pledged themselves to support adequate appropriations for the institution at the next session of the Legislature. They endorsed the work of the faculty and student body, and said that the State College was entirely dependent upon the Commonwealth for its existence because no tuition fees were paid by the students, as is the case with the other colleges and universities of the State.

The guests spent the morning inspecting the elaborate exhibits arranged by the students in all departments. They were particularly impressed with the work done in mining and highway engineering.

Governor Brumbaugh, in his address to 2000 persons in Schwab Auditorium, urged the students to make the most of their time in college, to study diligently and to come into a full appreciation of what the taxpayers of the State are doing to give them an education.

Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware County, endorsed a larger appropriation for the college, and urged the students, graduates and friends of the college to get after the representatives from their home districts with that end in view.

Congressman J. R. K. Scott, of Philadelphia, told the audience that the college belonged to the people of the State, that it was not the property of the students and their parents. He said the institution must have the support it deserves. Other speakers were Hugh Dawson, of Scranton; Jerry Simpson, of Allegheny county; Charley Snyder, Auditor General-elect, of Schuylkill county, and Colonel Henry W. Shoemaker, a member of the Governor's staff.

Governor Brumbaugh and Colonel Shoemaker reviewed the cadet regiment of 1400 students this afternoon.

**Crucible Meeting Peaceful**

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Crucible Steel Company of America, which was held in Jersey City this morning, was in the nature of a peace gathering. Expectations were that there would be a contest of some kind at the meeting due to the fact that late yesterday bids of \$8 per share, or \$62.50 per 100 shares, had been made for proxies. E. L. French, H. S. A. Stewart, Gilbert M. Black, George W. Crawford, John C. Neff, whose terms of directors expire, had no opposition.

**Auto Fractures Woman's Skull**

Mrs. Anna Seidel, seventy-two years old, of Atlantic City, is suffering from a fracture of the skull in St. Joseph's Hospital, having been struck by an automobile after she stepped from the sidewalk at Broad and Stiles street last night. The automobile disappeared immediately after the accident, but the police arrested Harry Parke, 1018 Columbia avenue, a few hours later on suspicion of having been the driver of the car. He was arraigned in the night court and held in \$1000 bail for a hearing next Tuesday.

**Taft to Speak Here Tonight**

Ex-President Taft will address the local members of the League to Enforce Peace, of which he is now president, at a banquet to be given tonight at the Bellevue-Stratford. The subject of Mr. Taft's address will be "International Organization at the Close of the War." Other speakers will be Thomas Baeburn White, chairman of the Pennsylvania State Committee; Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf, Miss M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr College; Stanley R. Yarnell, Gifford Pinchot, former Judge Dimmer Beaber, R. Dale Benson, Edward Bok and George Horace Lorimer.

**Lancaster Teachers Favor Pensions**

LANCASTER, Pa., Nov. 17.—The sixty-fifth session of the Lancaster County Teachers' Institute ended today, going on record as favoring the teachers' pension bill, now being framed for presentation to the Legislature. The resolution says the teachers would like something besides the mere necessities of life.

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**Men's Shaker Knit Sweaters**  
Of Usual \$5.00 and \$6.00 Grades... \$3.65  
Some in plain worsted weave, made with heavy shawl collar and pockets. Navy, gray or maroon. Sizes from 36 to 46. MAIN FLOOR

**Tomorrow, We Start a Most Important Pre-Thanksgiving Sale of Men's and Young Men's Overcoats and Winter Suits**



**Furs Are Ready**

In Their New and Enlarged Sections

In the short period of the Earle Store—we have already established a reputation for dependable furs.

Larger quarters were found necessary. These new sections are ready today, and fittingly, too—with these specials:

- Black Coney Fur Sets, \$6.50**  
Satin-lined scarf, barrel muff.
- Black French Coney Sets, 10.00**  
Ball muffs, with tan velvet bed; double fur scarf, black fox paws.
- Japanese Cross Fox Sets, \$65.00**  
Barrel muff, head and tail trimmed. Double animal scarf.
- Genuine Cross Fox Sets, \$85.00**  
Double scarf, barrel muff. Made of fine Alaska skins.
- Opussum Sets at \$32.50**  
In sable, Isabella and stone marten dyes, double scarfs, barrel muff, satin bed.
- Black Lynx Barrel Muffs, \$25.00**  
Made of fine selected skins. Main Floor.

At Wonderful Savings, Ranging From One-Third to One-Half. 4 Big Groups

What a variety! What savings! We planned this sale to come just before Thanksgiving—and that it is most timely is well proven by the cold weather that is now here—and the weather man promises that it is here to stay.

These garments come from our regular makers—not sale merchandise by any means—but garments that measure fully up to the standard of Earle Store regular stocks.

- Chesterfield Dress Overcoats**
- Ulster Belted Overcoats**
- Single-Breasted Overcoats**
- Double-Breasted Pinch-Back Coats**
- Plain Back Coats**
- Swagger Loose Back Overcoats**

- Single-Breasted Belted Suits**
- Double-Breasted Suits**
- Four-Button Straight-Front Suits**
- Plain Back Suits**

And every other new and most favored style for this winter's wear.

All the most favored staple and novelty materials—in blues and black, browns, greens and grays—Scotch mixtures a-plenty.

Any and every garment you select from this sale is a positive wonder value!

Also for Tomorrow, Parents Should Buy These **Boys' Suits, Mackinaws and Winter Overcoats \$4.95**

For they are splendid values—as well as being sturdy wearing clothes. Suits in Norfolk pinch-back models, in gray, brown and fancy mixtures, corduroys and overplaid. With 2 pair trousers, full lined. Sizes 6 to 17 years. Overcoats and mackinaws of good heavy materials in belted back models. Sizes up to 18 years.



**Tomorrow, Another Astonishing Earle Store Sale Women's & Misses' New Suits**

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With Richest of Fur Trimmings

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Offering exactly 375 suits that came to us in a most fortunate purchase. The garments illustrated were photographed from the actual garments represented in this sale—and you can readily see the different style touches—that can only be found in ultra-smart suits selling at \$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00.

In all fairness we must say that there are not many of any particular model—but there are fully 75 distinctive styles for your choice.

Developed of rich, lustrous broadcloths, wool velours, velveteens, poplins and smart gabardines. Some show collars entirely of fur—others have fur-trimmed collars and cuffs, and some even fur-trimmed around bottom of coats.

All sizes are represented—for both women and misses.

Second Floor