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MOORE CRIPPLED BY VARE DEFENCE; READY FOR FIGHT

Smilingly Declares He Will Lead
Republican Party Despite
Senator's Threat

TELLS FUNNY STORY,
THEN REFERS TO SPEECH

Says He Will Reorganize City
Committee as He Orig-
inally Intended

Mayor-elect Moore, smiling and in
rare good humor, hurled the VARE
challenge of yesterday back at the
senator today and insisted he would control
the Republican party in Philadelphia
and reorganize the city committee as
he saw fit. Mr. Moore apparently is not
concerned about what Senator VARE said
or will say at any future time.

Standing on his original declara-
tion that he would reorganize the com-
mittee to make it thoroughly representa-
tive of his party, Mr. Moore remarked
he did not take the senator's speech
seriously, and was not alarmed by it at
all.

Senator VARE, in addressing the city
committee yesterday, served notice
that he did not propose to
yield the party leadership to the next
Mayor, but will fight for the control
of the organization which he now holds.
The fight, the senator said, would come
at the spring primaries, and he called
upon his workers to organize now for
the struggle.

Tells Funny Story First

When Mayor-elect Moore appeared
at his office in the Crozer Building this
morning, he remarked he had been read-
ing the newspapers. It was apparent
he was not worried. He was asked
by the VARE speech, but before an-
swering said he had just heard a funny
story. He told it. Then, pressed for
an answer to the senator's threat,
he said the newspaper headlines make it
appear that Senator VARE and Mr. Lane
have issued a challenge to the Mayor-
elect. He does not know what was said
at the city committee meeting
yesterday.

The suggestion that there should be
reorganization of the Republican city
committee is not new. It was made by
me during the campaign and is now
being seconded by Senator VARE.

Favored Reorganization First

"I am in favor of a reorganization
of the committee, so that it shall be
thoroughly representative of the Republi-
can party, but I am not worrying
about my challenge."

"The Mayor has a duty to perform
as the representative of all the people
and will perform it seriously and with-
out any compromise."

"He is now selecting directors who
are in sympathy with him, and his pur-
pose is to give the city a clean adminis-
tration and to show to the people that
until the task is complete."

MARKET OPENS WILD ON SOUTHERN PACIFIC

Gain of 13 3/4 Points Over Night
Due to Government's Decision
In Land Patents Cases

New York, Dec. 5.—The opening
dealings in Southern Pacific this morn-
ing were about the wildest that have
been noted probably in the last twenty
years. As soon as the opening gong
sounded there was a scramble to buy
whatever stock was offered. On one
side of the crowd the stock sold at
101, while on the other side it was
bought as high as 100, showing a gain
of 13 3/4 points over night.

The excited opening was a direct
response to the announcement of At-
torney General Palmer that appeals
taken by the Southern Pacific in land
patent cases will not be prosecuted by
the government.

THIRD ARREST IN GEM THEFT

Woman Implicates Man in Robbery
of Davison's Store

A third man was accused today of
having taken part in a robbery at the
jewelry store of Joseph K. Davison's
son at 210 South Third street.
Four men drove to the store in an
automobile on November 13 and carried
off about \$40,000 worth of jewelry, after
killing the storekeeper.

The man accused today is Victor
Myers, of North Fifteenth street, near
Susquehanna avenue. He was arrested
a few days ago in connection with the
theft of an automobile in Camden.
While in custody, he was seen by Miss
Charlotte Helen Browne, of Fifth
and Race streets, who was standing in
front of the jewelry store when the rob-
bers drove up. She said Myers was
one of the thieves.

Magistrate Meachery held the man
under \$5000 bail for trial.

REDFIELD IN BUSINESS

New York, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
William G. Redfield, former secretary
of commerce, has entered the investment
security business in New York, asso-
ciating himself with H. P. Wilson, un-
der the firm name of Redfield & Wil-
son. It was announced today that the
firm expects to conduct reorganizations and
consolidations of industrial and public
utility companies.

Cardinal Mercier's Story Will Begin Tomorrow

I Protest

Cardinal Mercier tells Bazan von
Bismarck, governor general of Bel-
gium, in complaining of soldiers who
"wrenched from the priests' hands
our pastoral letter."

"Our own dignity was not re-
spected," continues the cardinal in
one of the many stirring chapters in
his own story of the war, which be-
gins tomorrow in the
Evening Public Ledger

ALLIES MAY SEIZE GERMAN CITIES FORGE SUBMISSION

Occupation of Essen and Frank-
fort Threatened Unless Proto-
col Is Signed, Is Report

ACTION IS IMPERATIVE,
DECLARES MARSHAL FOCH

New Negotiators Will Soon
Leave Berlin for Versailles,
Says Paris Paper

By the Associated Press

London, Dec. 5.—There was a
persistent rumor in the stock ex-
change this morning that the Su-
preme Council of the Peace Conference
had threatened Germany that unless the
final peace terms were agreed to allied
troops would occupy Essen and Frank-
fort. Up to this time the market has
not been affected by the report.

Paris, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—Coer-
cion is the only argument likely to
induce Germany to sign the protocol
of the peace treaty, according to to-
day's newspapers. It is said this con-
clusion was reached at the secret ses-
sion of the council of five yesterday, at
which Marshal Foch was present.

It is reported that the marshal under-
took to execute the plan he drafted last
June, the mere threat of which brought
German plenipotentiaries to Versailles.
Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes
Wilson, chief of the British imperial
staff, arrived in Paris today in re-
sponse to "an urgent summons to con-
sider the unexpected departure of the
French and British."

During the meeting of the council of
five, says the Echo de Paris, Premier
Clemenceau and Marshal Foch stated
that the unexpected departure of the
German delegates from Versailles and
the complicated points raised by the
enemy led no doubt whatever about the
necessity of the marshal's plan.

The Petit Parisien says that Germany
considers it has gone too far and that
an unofficial note has been received
from Berlin announcing that new nego-
tiation will be soon for Versailles.

The supreme council today consid-
ered further the note to be sent to Ger-
many, but did not complete the docu-
ment.

The American troops on the Rhine
number 12,000 men. No question has
as yet arisen whether they would
participate in an action undertaken by
the French and British.

The supreme council, in agreement
with the Jugo-Slav delegation, has con-
sidered certain modifications in the peace
terms with Austria, including Jugo-
Slavia, notably the advancing of the
date for payments to the Jugo-Slav
state on reparations due it.

The Jugo-Slav delegation has objected
to the proposed advance of the date for
payments in sufficient measure, it is stated,
to enable her delegates to sign the
treaty and return to their country.

The plan for action against Germany
drafted by Marshal Foch last June,
mentioned in the dispatches, was to be
put into effect in the event the Germans
finally declined to sign the Versailles
peace treaty. It contemplated a rapid
advance into Germany from the occu-
pied zone, and the American and
French armies to a depth of forty to
sixty miles. Cavalry was to have been
employed, together with armored cars,
and motor trucks, which have already
been rushed forward in motor
trucks in a dash that would, it was pre-
dicted, have broken all records for a
rapid military advance.

SOUDER'S IRE STIRRED

Acts Quickly on Learning Man Used
His Name as Stockholder

Told that his name was being used
as one of a list of stockholders in the
Atlantic Auto Service Association, Al-
fred I. Souder, captain of detectives,
yesterday summoned to his office David
M. Green, a notary public and secretary
of the organization, and warned him
that he faced prosecution if he used
the detective captain's name to fur-
ther the scheme.

The captain told Green that he had
no right to use his name as a stock-
holder, and said that if he learned of
persons who had been induced to give
up money on the strength of Green's
name he would prosecute Green.

The captain had been elected an
honorary member of the association.
He resigned, as did Magistrate Wrig-
ley, whose name was also used.

AUTO IMPALED ON FIRE PLUG

Car Almost Total Wreck, Wind-
shield Only Undamaged

A two-seated automobile, running
north on Second street, crashed into a
fireplug near Market street early to-
day.

The car was impaled on the plug.
The windshield, with the glass un-
broken, is the only part not smashed
beyond further use.

The police have no trace of the driver
or passengers of the car.
The machine bore the license for an-
other car.

"MARRIAGE BROKERS" STAY
Notaries Promising "No Publicity"
Now Face Loss of Commission

"Marriage brokers" are still in busi-
ness here today despite the warning
of Attorney General William
Schaffer that notaries who advertise that
they will get marriage licenses "without
publicity" may lose their commissions.
Schaffer is strongly in favor of
closing the offices of the "marriage
brokers." He says these persons clearly
violate the spirit of the state marriage
laws.

RAIL WAGE COMPROMISE SEEN
Washington, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
Railroad administration officials were
said last night to be near an agreement
with leaders of the four railroad
brotherhoods on their demands for re-
vision of the wage and working contract.
After a four-hour conference it was
announced that "progress was being
made" and brotherhoods indicated a
settlement in the nature of a compromise
would result.

WILSON WILL SEE SENATORS TODAY ON MEXICAN CRISIS

To Receive Fall and Hitchcock,
as Physician Approves
of Conference

SPECIAL CABINET SESSION
DISCUSSES GRAVE ISSUE

President Refuses Delay—His
Views on Break With Car-
ranza Sought

By the Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 5.—President
Wilson will see Senators Fall, Republi-
can, New Mexico, and Hitchcock, Democ-
rat, Nebraska, special represen-
tatives of the foreign relations com-
mittee, at 2:30 p. m. today to discuss
the Mexican situation.

Senator Fall announced that immedi-
ately after the conference he would
make public the evidence on which he
based his charges in the Senate that
the Mexican ambassador and consul in
the United States were circulating
Red propaganda.

The senators will go to the White
House after the President's cabinet has
held a special meeting at which the
Mexican situation will be discussed.
The meeting was called today by Sec-
retary Lansing, who spent nearly two
hours before the foreign relations com-
mittee yesterday discussing the
Hitchcock resolution and the
Mexican question generally.

President Opposes Delay

Senator Hitchcock communicated with
Secretary Tumulty late last night re-
garding the conference and said it was
not necessary that the President see
the senators immediately, but the
President decided to have the conference
today.

The request of Senator Hitchcock that
the President see the senators was re-
ferred to Mrs. Wilson and approval of
the conference was given by Rear Ad-
miral Grayson, the President's physi-
cian.

Senators Fall and Hitchcock were
named a committee yesterday by the
Senate foreign relations committee to
confer with the President to seek his
views on the resolution of Senator Fall
requesting that the President sever
diplomatic relations with the Mexican
Government.

To Present Hitchcock Substitute

The Hitchcock substitute proposing
that Congress assure the President of
its support should he decide to break
with Mexico will be presented to the
President.

The foreign relations committee will
not meet until Monday to receive the
report of the committee on the Ex-
ecutive's views on the Mexican question.
Decision to have the senators visit the
White House was reached by the com-
mittee after Secretary Lansing had told
it that the President had not been
consulted in the present diplomatic ex-
changes with Mexico regarding the
Jenkins case.

Immediately after arrangements were
made for the conference, Senator Fall
began assembling the evidence on which
his charges against Mexican Govern-
ment representatives were based. He
preparing an abstract for presentation
to the President. The senator plans
to take all the evidence to the White
House so the President may have the
President should be asked for it.

Yesterday private advisers received here
said that Carranza was preparing his
reply to the latest American note
concerning the release of Consul Jen-
kins's release. State Department offi-
cials said today they had received no
official information on the subject. They
added that no reports regarding the
Mexican situation had come to
hand.

AMERICANS PREPARE TO LEAVE MEXICO

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
Border representatives of American
concerns in Mexico today were prepar-
ing to carry out instructions for with-
drawal of American citizens employ-
ment of the Rio Grande. While no
immediate exodus of Americans, it is
expected, agents here are endeavoring
to get a quick movement north,
if conditions become serious.

If the United States Senate should
adopt the resolution, withdrawing rec-
ognition from the Carranza Govern-
ment, it was said, there would be an
immediate exodus from Mexico, leaving
many mines and other properties idle
and involving thousands of Mexican la-
borers out of work.

Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
Deputy President Taft in 1912
ordered Americans to quit Mexico, as
was stated in a dispatch last night by
El Paso, Tex., was made here today by
Henry Lane Wilson, American ambas-
sador to Mexico during Mr. Taft's ad-
ministration.

"No such order, calling on Americans
to quit Mexico, was issued by Presi-
dent Taft in 1912," said Mr. Wilson.
"On my recommendations, Mr. Taft
did advise Americans in isolated local-
ities to congregate in urban centers,
but no order was issued."

CHINESE IN MEXICO ASK AMERICAN AID

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
F. L. Zuo, Chinese consul general
in Mexico City, left San Francisco
yesterday for Washington to seek am-
bassador of the American government
for assistance in obtaining protection for
more than 5000 Chinese living in the state of Sonora,
who it is said were in danger of being
massacred and having their property
confiscated because of the inability of
the Carranza government to protect
them.

3621 TONS OF SUGAR ARRIVE

Three thousand six hundred and
twenty-one tons of raw sugar arrived
at this city this morning on the ship
Lake Uplanti, from Manati, Cuba.
The sugar is consigned to the S. L.
Burgess Co., steamship agents and ship
brokers, with offices in the Lafayette
Building. The sugar will be sent to the
Franklin Sugar Refining Co.

Haggood Coming to Tell of Russia

Washington, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
Norman Haggood, American minister
to Denmark, is coming home to make a
personal report to the State Department
on the Russian situation, concerning
which he has received valuable infor-
mation since going to Copenhagen.

TRUMAN H. NEWBERRY

United States Senator from Michi-
gan, whose election will be the sub-
ject of an inquiry by the Senate
which is expected to start after the
holidays. He was recently indicted
by a federal grand jury on charges
in connection with the Ford-New-
berry senatorial election.

NEWBERRY PAPERS SERVED

Attorney Accepts Warrant Char-
ging Election Conspiracy

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 5.—(By
A. P.)—When Federal Court opened
this morning ninety-five of the 135 men
indicted on charges of conspiring il-
legally to elect United States Senator
Truman H. Newberry had appeared for
arraignment. Twenty of the others in-
dicted, including Mr. Newberry, have
accepted service of warrants through
their attorneys.

The grand jury charged that the legal
battle will be long drawn out. A
general demurrer, motions for separate
trials and other moves are foreseen.

SHIP MUNITIONS TO RUSSIA

Steamer to Leave Eddystone Monday
With Materials for Anti-Reds

Munitions for the anti-Bolshevik
forces in Russia will leave here on Mon-
day on the steamer Sangamon.

Loaded with a great quantity of fight-
ing material the ship started yesterday
from Eddystone. She had proceeded
but a short distance down the Delaware
when two of her propeller blades broke
and she returned to Eddystone for
repairs.

On board the Sangamon are 4170
cases of shrapnel, 5785 cases of fuses,
397 cases of rifles, six locomotives and
other materials which will be used in
the fight against the Bolsheviki.

The munitions are billed to the com-
mander in chief of the armed forces of
south Russia.

The Sangamon is owned by the United
States shipping board.

JURY FINDS BANKER GUILTY

Was Charged With Making False
Statements to N. Dakota Examiner

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—
The jury in the case of W. F. Hagen,
president of the Scandinavian Ameri-
can Bank of Fargo, charged with hav-
ing made false statements to the state
bank examiner, last night returned a
verdict of guilty.

The arrest of Hagen and P. R. Sher-
man, cashier, grew out of the closing
of the bank here in 1917, when Hagen
pleaded insolvency. The State Supreme
Court later declared the bank solvent
and it was reopened for business Octo-
ber 25.

The three counts on which the men
were indicted involved two items of
notes, one for approximately \$37,000
and the other for \$25,000.

Appeal from the verdict will be taken
today attorneys for Hagen, said.

\$2.62 A POUND FOR STEER

New Record Price for Prize-Win-
ning Stock at Chicago Show

Chicago, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—At
the auction sale of prize-winning cat-
tle at the International Livestock Ex-
position, the single champion steer
brought \$2.62 a pound, against \$2.50
last year, establishing a new record.

The grand champion carload of fif-
teen head of prize-winning steers, to-
gether, compared with \$50 a year ago.
Junior's Lad, the grand champion
steer, was bought at auction by Mous-
selle Brothers of Chicago, at \$2,620
per pound, or a total price of \$2685.50.

The cotton ball scored a "clean up" at
when Lelandez Collynie, a two-year-old
steer, was bought at auction by J. H. Huggins, of Danville, Tenn.,
for \$1,000. He was declared grand cham-
pion short-horn bull. Junior's Lad, owned
by E. J. Huggins, of Danville, Tenn.,
was awarded the grand championship
for a Hereford bull, with Bonnie J.
Hurling Fair, of Micanopy, Fla., won
the award for grand champion Poland
China.

H. C. OF L. HITS GLOUCESTER

Police, Firemen and Water Works
Men Ask Pay Rise

City employees of Gloucester are de-
manding an increase in wages to com-
bat the high cost of living.

A meeting of the city council last
night employees of the waterworks force
and the fire department presented de-
mands for a ten-dollar weekly increase.
Councilman Robert Mayhew declared
that the council would not consider
such a demand unless the city council
should give more attention to such de-
mands than any other business. He
also stated that it was about time the
city employees demanded an increase
in their work and to spend less time
in looking for ways to help them get
their demands.

Mayor, city clerk, city treasurer
and the board of assessors were all
granted, without solicitation, an in-
crease of \$200 in their yearly salaries.

TO REPEAT "CHARTER DINNER"

Town Meeting party officials, includ-
ing Mayor and ward committeemen, will
hold a dinner at the Bellevue-Strat-
ford Hotel next Wednesday evening.
The occasion will be the first anniver-
sary of the so-called "charter dinner,"
where impetus was given toward the
charter movement, which was victorious
in the last legislature.

President Takes Reins of Government Again

Conference on Mexico Shows He Is Not
Incapacitated by Illness—Lansing
Loses New-Found Freedom

By CLINTON W. GILBERT
Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Dec. 5.—The prompt-
ness of President Wilson in making
the appointment to see Senators Fall
and Hitchcock today on the Mexican
question will set and run the rumors
that he is incapacitated to transact
public business.

It will also end a dangerous muddle
in Mexican affairs, which are drifting
toward war without either Congress
or the State Department knowing
whether the President is willing to re-
sist to war or not.

The leaving of the President out of
the reckoning hitherto appears to have
been unnecessary. Secretary Baker
was able to see and confer with the
President on Sunday. His objection
was raised to a conference on Mexico
when Mr. Hitchcock asked for it by
the President's physicians or by his
family.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Wilson is
transacting more public business now
than at any time since his illness be-
gan. During two months there has
been a large accumulation of business
requiring the President's consideration.
Orders and appointments waited signa-
tures, correspondence had to be read
and answered. Within the last ten
days the President has cleared up vir-
tually all this work.

Apparently Secretary Lansing might
have seen the President at any time in
regard to Mexico had he thought
conference necessary. But the secre-
tary handled the situation himself, as
he explained to the foreign relations
committee of the Senate yesterday.

Lansing Gains Authority

Like his fellow cabinet members, he
doubtless felt a natural satisfaction in
the freedom which the President's ill-
ness gave him. The notes to Carranza
raised no difficult problems. And Mr.

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MEXICAN BANDITS RAID STORE ACROSS AMERICAN BORDER

Bind Owner and Flee Back Over
Boundary, Is Texas
Report

U. S. CAVALRY LEADER
GETS NEWS OF OUTRAGE

Word Is Telephone to Investi-
gator for Senate
Committee

By the Associated Press

Houston, Texas, Dec. 5.—General J.
F. Walters, commanding the Texas cav-
lary, with headquarters here today re-
ceived advice of a raid by Mexican
bandits on a store near the Mexican
border, eleven miles south of Zapata,
county seat of Zapata county.

The information is that the owner of
the store was bound after which the
place was looted and the bandits fled
across the border.

The report was telephoned by W. M.
Hanson, a captain in the ranger service
who is serving as special examiner for
the Senate investigating committee.

READY TO TRY LIQUOR CASES

To Call 29 Saloon Men Tuesday If
Supreme Court Delays Decision

Unless the United States Supreme
Court files a decision on Monday, in a
case contesting the constitutionality of
the wartime prohibition law, twenty-
nine saloonkeepers and bartenders will
be called to face trial in the United
States District Court here beginning
Tuesday morning, on charges of selling
whisky, gin and other hard stuff.

Even if the Supreme Court withhold a
decision until a later day, the govern-
ment will press for the trial of saloon-
keepers and bartenders for the sale of
intoxicating beverages, other than beer.
By reserving the right to prosecute
against the liquor interests ten saloon-
keepers and six bartenders were ar-
ranged before Judge Dickinson today
on charges of violating the prohibition
act in selling whisky, gin and other
distilled spirits. All entered pleas of
not guilty, and will be among the
eighteen listed for trial on Tuesday,
Wednesday and Thursday.

GERMANY'S REPLY REACHES PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Germany's reply to the Allied note
protesting against the increase of Germany's armament has reached
Paris, according to the Temps. The reply has not yet been sub-
mitted to the peace conference delegates, however, the news-
paper says.

MARTIAL LAW IN OKLAHOMA MINE DISTRICT

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 5.—Governor Robertson has issued
a proclamation declaring martial law in Pittsburg, Latimer,
Leflore, Coal, Haskell and Okmulgee counties to take effect im-
mediately, because of the mine situation.

700 FAMILIES HERE FACING EJECTION ON PLAY PARK WORK

Will Have to Find New Homes
Moved Out by January 1 or Be
Sheriff Forced to Act

Seven hundred Philadelphia families
will have to find new homes by the first
of the year, if the household effects
moved out by the sheriff.

This announcement comes from the
sheriff's office. It is unavoidable, ac-
cording to George S. Russell, counsel
for Sheriff Lantry. The sheriff has
put out as long as possible executing the
mass of writs issued by the local courts.

Writes have been piling into the
sheriff's office at the rate of eight or
ten a day. They have been running
fifty or sixty a week. The sheriff's
men have not kept up with them. There
is an accumulation, therefore, to an
estimated total of about 700.

"Sheriff Lantry" said many of them
today, "is a bonded officer. He has no
alternative but to execute the writs
issued by the court. If he refuses to do
so, he will be liable for contempt of
court and punished."

"The new sheriff comes in the first
of the year. If Sheriff Ransley should
leave office without having closed up
these writs he could be held in contempt
of court and punished."

Ransley, realizing that the serving
of the writs sometimes imposed undue
burden, has settled as many of the
cases as possible without actual ejec-
tion of the tenants.

One of the sheriff's men has been
assigned to the task of adjusting all
possible cases. "I suggest the sheriff's
office has assisted tenants to get other
houses and has arranged for the tenant
against whom the writ was issued to
withdraw quietly."

Attorneys representing purchasers of
houses, anxious to get possession of
their properties, have been urging the
sheriff in recent weeks to hasten the
service of writs. In spite of the efforts
of the agents the sheriff has insisted on
adjusting all cases where adjustment
was possible.

There can be no further delay in the
service of the writs, according to the
sheriff's office, if the business is to be
cleared up before the sheriff's term ex-
pires. Deputies say that in many in-
stances tenants have taken advantage of
the sheriff's desire to treat them fairly
and have made no real effort to get
other dwellings.

DESTROYERS GOING TO EUROPE

Five destroyers, the pick of the navy,
will leave the United States this month
for an extended cruise in European
waters. The destroyers, all of which
were built at Crane's shipyard, are
the Chandler, Southard, Howe, Brown
and Alden. The Chandler, Southard
and Howe, now at the Philadelphia
Navy Yard, will leave for Newport
R. I., about December 15. There a full
cargo of torpedoes will be taken on
board, after which they will start for
Europe. The cruise, returning to New
York, will last about two
years.

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