

NICARAGUA TO BE PROTECTED

Secretary Bryan Outlines a New Policy.

PROPOSAL A BIG SURPRISE.

Exclusive Canal Rights and Ninety-Nine-Year Lease To Naval Base Among the Provisions.

Washington.—A new policy toward Nicaragua, involving the virtual control of the affairs of that republic by the United States through a protectorate similar to that now exercised over Cuba, was outlined by Secretary Bryan at a private conference with members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Bryan's proposal, coming as a complete surprise to most of the members of the committee, has been taken by many Senators as the first pronouncement of a general policy on the part of the Administration to extend American control over the countries surrounding the Panama Canal and to assure the stability of Central American republics and the domination by the United States of their relations with other great powers.

Secretary Bryan went before the committee with a revised draft of the proposed Nicaraguan treaty, negotiated first in the Taft administration by which the United States would secure exclusive canal rights across Nicaragua and a new naval base in exchange for a \$3,000,000 gold payment.

As a new feature of the treaty, however, the Secretary of State proposed that language similar, if not identical, with the so-called "Platt amendment" relating to Cuba be injected in the treaty, giving the United States sweeping control of Nicaraguan affairs and the power to regulate her foreign relations and her finances.

Under the proposed plan Nicaragua would agree in substance:

"That war should not be declared without the consent of the United States.

"That no treaties would be made with foreign governments that would tend to destroy her independence or that would give those governments a foothold in the republic.

"That no public debt would be contracted beyond the ordinary resources of the Government, as indicated by the ordinary revenues.

"That the United States should have the right to intervene at any time to preserve Nicaraguan independence or to protect life or property."

"That the United States should have the exclusive right to build a canal across Nicaragua and should have a 99-year lease to a naval base in the bay of Fonseca and to the Great Corn and Little Corn Islands in the Caribbean, with the privilege of renewing the lease."

U. S. Would Pay \$3,000,000.

The United States in return would pay Nicaragua \$3,000,000 to be used in public works and education.

It is understood the Nicaraguan Government is willing to enter into the proposed treaty because of the stability it would give to the present Diaz Government and to the proposed reorganization of the fiscal affairs of the republic. It is understood a refunding of the Nicaraguan debt, for which about \$15,000,000 is required, does not form a special part of the negotiations laid before the Senate committee.

GENERAL DIAZ NOT AN EXILE.

Mexican Leader On Special Embassy To Japan.

Laredo, Texas.—Rumors that political exile is involved in Gen. Felix Diaz's special embassy to Japan to thank that Government for his participation in the Mexican centennial are denied in a message from Diaz received here. The message said: "Accept mission to Japan solely and exclusively to give thanks for the embassy of that Government to our recent centennial. Any other motive is unfounded and entirely false."

SPEEDY DESTROYER.

Aylwin Makes 31.33 Knots An Hour In Trial Trip.

Philadelphia.—The torpedo-boat destroyer Aylwin, built at a Delaware River ship yard, proved herself to be one of the fastest vessels of her type that has been constructed for the American Navy. The Aylwin went over a measured course off the Delaware Capes at a speed of 31.33 knots an hour. Coming up the Delaware River to the ship yard the Aylwin made speed spurts at the rate of 37.7 knots an hour.

MOTORMAN HURLED FROM CAR.

Fifteen Passengers Hurt In Collision With Drove Of Cattle.

Uniontown, Pa.—Motorman William Nicholson was hurled from his car over a high embankment near here when the car collided with a drove of cattle that had wandered to the tracks of the West Penn. Traction Line. The car left the rails and hung over the embankment, while panic reigned among the hundreds or more passengers until they were rescued.

Hired Negro To Kill Wife.

Then Led Mob Which, a Few Hours Later, Lynched Slayer.

Andalusia, Ala.—Sam Spicer, Jr., was found guilty of murdering his wife, Mrs. Noble Spicer, and his punishment was fixed at life imprisonment. Spicer, who is 30 years old, was charged with having hired Joe Green, his negro chauffeur, to kill Mrs. Spicer, and it was testified that Spicer, a few hours later, led the mob which lynched Green.

SNAPSHOTS AT STATE NEWS

All Pennsylvania Gleaned for Items of Interest.

REPORTS ABOUT CROPS GOOD

Farmers Busy in Every Locality—Churches Raising Funds for Many Worthy Objects—Items of Business and Pleasure that Interest.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church at Catawissa will expend \$3,000 in improvements.

The 11-inch mill and puddle furnaces of the Blandon Roller Mills will resume operations.

With the aid of 100 special police Sunbury captured and jailed twenty thieving train riders.

A snapping turtle bit a triangular piece out of the hand of sheriff John H. Glass, of Northumberland county.

Mrs. Mary Brown, who lives on a farm a mile east of Sunbury, has a duck that will eat nothing but apples.

Duquesne, Allegheny county, will be the first borough under the new law to accept commission rule as a third class city.

Young Clarence Ressler, of Arter's Station, is in the Packer Hospital, Sunbury, being treated for a copperhead bite.

Scarcity of harvest hands, and consequent shortage of straw ropes have tied up the Car Trust pipe foundry at Berwick.

Mrs. John F. Oram, wife of a Shamokin lawyer, has brought suit, asking for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Dentzer, of Reedling, has instituted a \$5,000 damage suit against Carrie Trexler for alleged alienation of the affections of her husband.

Mrs. Gertrude Weldon, of Philadelphia, is at the home of John Zeigler, near Horningford, Mifflin county, in a precarious condition from a copperhead bite.

The berry season has opened at Lewistown and thousands of boxes of red, black and huckleberries are shipped from the Juniata Valley daily to city markets.

The Lock Haven Express is becoming worried over the inactivity of the Board of Trade in providing a suitable site for the \$30,000 armory the State has agreed to build there.

Ex-Senator and ex-Secretary of War Donald Cameron, now 80 years old, is spending the summer on his 1,400 acre farm in East Donegal, and is frequently seen on automobile spins.

Mrs. J. Walters, of Campbelltown, Lebanon county, holds the record in that part of the State for making sonnets. From March, 1913, to the present time she has made more than 1,000 sonnets of silk and other materials.

The Mauch Chunk Y. M. C. A. management has erected a bungalow on Lake Harmony and a large number of the members, together with General Secretary E. F. Boettcher and Physical Director Todd, are spending several weeks there.

New Castle firemen are getting an experience with the way in which fire signals were given 40 or 50 years ago. On account of the failure of the Mayor and Select Council to agree upon a city electrician, the fire alarm system is entirely out of commission. This affects the bell at Central Station, and when a fire alarm is now telephoned in, some of the firemen about the Central Station grab the bell rope which has been run up the outside of the building, and toll out the number of the box.

One of the Capitol Park guineas has become perfectly fearless in its perambulations and takes walks all over the vicinity of Third and Walnut streets, in Harrisburg, and pays no attention to people near it. The other day this guinea was walking head up, along the post office sidewalk, and by its side came a tall, dignified gentleman with white whiskers and general air of good nature. A small boy amazed and walking up to the gentleman, accosted him with: "Mister, is that your guinea?" "Yes," said the gentleman, and a smile flitted across his face, "and I'm just taking it out for a walk."

Alleging neglect when her husband was killed by a flapping rope at Primrose Colliery, Mahanoy City, Mrs. John Hagen has entered suit against the Lehigh Valley Coal Company for \$15,000 damages.

Exclusive of State aid, Blair county spent nearly \$1,000,000 for school purposes and road and bridge improvements last year. The total for schools was \$487,000, of which Altoona paid \$281,000, while the sum for roads and bridges was \$443,000, of which Altoona contributed \$227,000.

The National Federation of Paper Box Manufacturers met in Reading and reports submitted showed a flourishing state of affairs.

Israel Young, the old gunsmith of Boalsburg—and the last of his kind in Center county—is a veteran of the civil war, a genius in his line, and a game old sport, whose stories of the long ago, when game and fish were plenty, almost tempt one to wish himself back in the days of the old smoothbore and before machine guns were invented.

TOWN NOW ONLY POOL OF BLOOD

But 120 of 3,500 Citizens of Doxato Remain.

ATROCITIES OF THE BULGARS

A Terrible Story of Outrages Committed Upon Greek and Mussulman Residents.

New York.—King Constance of Greece, from his headquarters at Hadji Eeilik, near Seres, gave out a detailed account of the atrocities of the Bulgarians in Macedonia. He declares that only the precipitate flight of the inhabitants of the villages and towns prevented a still greater slaughter.

"The first city to be scourged was Nigriti. A large number of its people who had remained at their homes after the events occurring in the Panghoun district were massacred by the retreating enemy, who did not fail to light the path of their flight by the flames of the city to which they had applied the torch.

"The correspondents of Le Temps and The Daily Telegraph who visited the locality the day after the massacres merely confirmed in greater detail the dispatches of the commanders of our troops.

"The precipitate flight of the peasants in the surrounding villages is the only reason why we have not a greater number of victims to deplore. On our left wing 700 Mussulmans of the environments of Kilikish, a nest of Bulgarian Comitads (irregular troops) shared the same fate. Two of our officers, who in a bayonet assault had been left lying wounded on the field a few steps from the enemy's trenches were found, when the attack was renewed, to have had their eyes gouged out.

At Dolron, before their flight the enemy dragged the metropolitan and 30 of the leading citizens from their homes. They have never been seen again.

"The religious leader of the Mussulmans, with tears in his eyes, told us of the spoliation and pillage of the Bulgarian officers and soldiers.

"At Strumitza, fortunately, the enemy had time to kill only two of the persons imprisoned. But all these things are as nothing compared with what happened at Dimirhisar, Seres and Doxato, where everything was sacked by fire and sword.

"The city of Seres is nothing more than a mass of smoking ruins, filled with mutilated corpses of old men and women and children.

"The consul general of Italy and Austria at Salonika, who visited Seres for the purpose of establishing to what extent their nations had suffered, have told us that the accounts published in the newspapers are but a faint idea of the terrible reality.

"At Dimirhisar the exhumation of the mutilated bodies of the Metropolitan and the leading citizens have convinced us that our enemy is not satisfied to pillage, burn, despoil and murder, but he rejoices in torturing his victims.

"Doxato is no longer anything but a pool of blood. Of its 3,500 inhabitants only 150 remain. A great number of the little villages along the route taken by the fleeing army were the scenes of like atrocities."

PRISONER IS REWARDED.

Wilson Frees Man Who Captured Escaping Fellow-Convict.

Washington.—The loyalty of a prisoner acting as a trusted sentinel, who risked his life to capture an escaping fellow-convict, caused the President to free Benjamin Bell, serving a sentence of 11 months and 29 days in the District of Columbia Jail for robbery. While Bell was on guard a prisoner armed with a knife scaled the stockade surrounding the jail. The unarmed prisoner-sentinel overpowered the fleeing man and returned him to jail. The superintendent reported to the President that he did not believe there was an officer in the station that would have done as well.

TRAIN RUNS INTO HOUSE.

Sleeping Girl Awakens To Find Box Car In Her Room.

Chicago.—Miss Clara Marske was sleeping the untroubled sleep of a care-free schoolgirl, when suddenly something entered the room. It was a railroad train. The Marske home stands straight at a railroad embankment and directly in the path of a freight train which left the rails, several cars tumbling down from the tracks. One of them tore through the front of the house and stopped directly in front of Miss Marske's bed.

CARTRIDGE KILLS CHILD.

Exploded By Bonfire Into Which It Had Been Thrown.

Camden, N. J.—While playing around a bonfire near his home here Preston Slaughter, 8 years old, was instantly killed when a cartridge thrown into the flames by another boy pierced his heart. Harry Smith, 11 years old, was taken into custody charged with throwing the cartridge into the fire, but was later paroled in the care of his parents.

MILLS BLOWN UP.

Two Plants Destroyed, But Fortunately No Employees Were In Buildings.

Wilmington, Del.—Two rolling mills of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Powder Company, on the Brandywine, blew up shortly after 9 o'clock, about half a mile from where the eastern district handicap trapshooting meet is being held. About 1,000 pounds of sporting powder in the process of manufacture went up. The mills are started and stopped from the outside and no employees were inside.

FIGHTING OVER THE SPOILS



HUERTA WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED

Nor Will American Troops Be Sent To Mexico.

PRESIDENT MAKES IT PLAIN.

There Will Be No Change In Present Attitude Of This Government, Says President Wilson.

Washington.—There will be no intervention in Mexico by American troops, nor will President Huerta be officially recognized by the United States. In a word, there will be absolutely no change for the present in the present attitude of this government toward Mexico.

President Wilson discussed the Mexican situation with the utmost candor. Nothing will be done as the result of the representations which have been made by the diplomats in Mexico. Their joint note to this government, suggesting that the American policy be declared, has been received by the State Department, and there the matter will end for the present.

The fact is that President Wilson has been unable to obtain any definite picture of conditions in Mexico. It is certain that many of the reports of massacres and outrages that have come from Mexico are untrue. Again and again the State Department on learning, either through letters or through published dispatches, of alleged brutalities by the federal or the constitutional forces has instructed the American consul at the place of the report of the outrage or the nearest American consul to investigate and make a full report, and in no case have the stories been verified.

The government has no secret agents in Mexico, nor is there a present intention of sending any secret investigators to report on conditions. Ambassador Wilson's telegraphic reports have varied so greatly from day to day, now depicting conditions of deepest gloom and then indicating the most sanguine confidence, that the State Department is wholly at sea regarding real conditions. There is no disposition to censure Mr. Wilson's reports, for it is perfectly understood in Washington that the political situation in Mexico City is not conducive to a calm and philosophical review of daily events. Communication by mail between Mexico City and Washington is so slow and uncertain that no written reports which Mr. Wilson could have made would have any value by the time they reached the State Department.

There is a strong disposition in Washington to view the entire action of the foreign powers with skepticism. It is believed by the State Department that much of the anti-American feeling in Mexico has been carefully fomented by selfish interests for the purpose of creating in this country a popular hysteria which would force the administration to send troops across the border.

ENGINE CRUSHES AVIATOR.

Explodes In Air and Wreckage Kills Young Birdman.

Chico, Cal.—Thaddeus Kerns, a 20-year-old aviator, was killed when the engine of his biplane exploded 75 feet in the air. When the wreckage hit the ground the radiator crushed the aviator's head, while other parts of the biplane pierced his body.

\$625,000 NECKLACE STOLEN.

Sugar Substituted In Package For Rich String Of Pearls.

London.—The theft of a pearl necklace valued at \$625,000 was reported to the Scotland Yard authorities. The pearls are alleged to have been stolen during transit by post from Paris to a dealer in London. The robbery was discovered in London, when the registered packet in which the necklace had been dispatched was opened. The case contained only pieces of sugar.

THREATS MADE BY GERMANY.

To Take Initiative In Mexico If United States Does Not.

Mobile, Ala.—Buyers on the Mobile Cotton Exchange representing German firms said they had received code messages from Germany stating that the Berlin Government had made representations to the United States concerning the Mexican situation. The messages were said to state that if the United States did not move to restore peace in Mexico Germany would take some initiative to that end.

TURKISH TROOPS ADVANCE.

They Cross the Frontier Line Into Bulgarian Territory.

Sofia.—Turkish troops crossed the new frontier line between Bulgaria and Turkey, running from Enos, on the Aegean Sea, to Midia, on the Black Sea. They already have penetrated a distance of nearly 20 miles into the Danubian region, the Bulgarian troops offering no opposition. The Christians in the district are alleged to be fleeing before the Turkish troops, owing to their excesses.

ATTACKS UNFAIR—WILLIAM J. BRYAN

Lecture Engagements Made Subject to Cancellation.

MacVEAGH DEFENDS HIM.

Former Republican Secretary Of Treasury Says Double Bryan's Salary Might Be Adequate.

Washington.—In answer to a query concerning his lecture tours, Mr. Bryan said:

"In fairness to myself, the newspapers might have assumed that my lecture engagements would not interfere with my official business rather than to assume that they would. All of my engagements are made subject to cancellation, and I can call them off whenever the occasion becomes necessary."

Mr. Bryan said that he did not think any further discussion of the subject was necessary.

Franklin MacVeagh, former Secretary of the Treasury, who is now in Chicago, declared that Secretary Bryan was absolutely correct in his assertions that a Cabinet officer could not live properly on \$12,000 a year. Mr. MacVeagh served under the Taft administration and has had considerable experience in both political and social circles in Washington. When asked for an opinion on the matter, Mr. MacVeagh replied with emphasis: "Of course, Mr. Bryan is right. Such a salary is merely nominal, scarcely more than a drop in the bucket. The Cabinet officer has an official life to lead as well as private. I don't doubt that any of them could run along on \$12,000, but they would have to live privately. They couldn't possibly mingle with those in official life."

In response to a question as to what salary he considered adequate to meet the demands of the financial strain on a Cabinet officer, Mr. MacVeagh said: "It would vary. The Secretary of State, from the nature of his position, must be looked upon for more lavish expenditures in a social way than any of the other Cabinet officers. I think perhaps double the present salary would be sufficient, if the Cabinet member were careful and economical."

NEW MINISTER TO CHINA.

Dr. Paul S. Reinsch, University Of Wisconsin, Selected By Wilson.

Washington.—Dr. Paul S. Reinsch, professor of political economy in the University of Wisconsin, has been selected for minister to China. Secretary Bryan, Dr. Reinsch and President Wilson had a long conference at the White House, after which it became known that Dr. Reinsch's name would be sent to the Senate. Dr. Reinsch is a writer of recognized authority on Oriental topics and far Eastern politics. His works on those subjects have been translated into Japanese, Chinese, Spanish and German. Dr. Reinsch was born in Milwaukee in 1869, was educated in Berlin, Rome and Paris, and began college work at the University of Wisconsin in 1889. He has been active in pan-American conferences, societies for the study of international law and historical research. He is married and lives in Madison.

BANKING BY MAIL.

An Innovation in the Government Postal Savings System.

Washington.—"Banking by mail" is the latest innovation entered into by the government in connection with the postal savings system. Hereafter deposits may be made by mail and withdrawals likewise effected through the same agency. When the postal savings system was first put in operation postmasters were forbidden to permit deposits by such persons as were not patrons of the postoffice in which they sought to bank. This was found to work a real hardship on a certain class of would-be depositors and Postmaster General Burleson accordingly abrogated the rule. Postmasters throughout the country now are being advised of the change.

COTTON EXPORTS.

200,000 Running Bales Were Exported From United States In June.

Washington.—A special census report gave the following estimates for cotton consumption during June: Consumed, 465,914 running bales. In manufacturing establishments on June 30, 1,296,657 bales, and in independent warehouses 811,519 bales. Imports, 8,023 equivalent 500-pound bales; exports, 223,321 running bales. Spindles active during June, 30,057,910.

TRAPPED BY FIRE ON 6TH FLOOR.

Two Young Men and Girl Taken Down With Clothes Ablaze.

New York.—Two young men and a girl, trapped on the sixth floor of a burning loft building in West Twentieth street, stood helpless amid the flames until their clothing caught fire. They were ablaze when firemen took them down 85-foot extension ladders to the street. The three were badly burned and with three others were taken to hospitals.

A GIGANTIC CHEESE.

One Weighing 6,500 Pounds Just Finished In New York.

Ulica, N. Y.—The finishing touches on a cheese weighing 6,500 pounds, the largest cheese ever made in New York State, if not in the world, were put on at the Gowdy factory in Martinsburg. Two days' milk from two factories were required for the mammoth cheese, which was made under the direction of Horace A. Resse, of Lowville. It will be exhibited at the State Fair in Syracuse in September.

HORSES ENGAGE IN DEADLY DUEL

Fight in a City Street as if They Mean to Kill

BOTH ANIMALS ARE INJURED

Strange Warfare Witnessed in Street at Chester—Workmen Unable to Separate Biting and Snorting Beasts—One Fell Exhausted.

Chester.—A strange warfare was witnessed in this city between a white and a bay horse belonging to the Philbertine Paving Company attached to a heavy wagon. The trouble started when the white horse leaned across and gave his companion a vicious nip on the neck. With a sharp cry the bay retaliated and kicked his antagonist in the stomach, knocking him down. Both horses broke loose from the pole and the white got to its feet, and the battle was resumed in earnest. Kicking, biting and snorting, the animals went at each other like fighting bulls. Efforts on the part of workmen to get the horses away from each other were futile, until finally the white horse fell exhausted. The bay was then dragged from the scene. Both animals were badly injured.

Buy Farms Near Bristol.

Bristol.—Numerous mysterious purchases here within about two weeks have now reached so respectable total as almost \$75,000, and it is believed that a Philadelphia syndicate is making all the purchases for some large industrial project, as yet undisclosed.

The purchase prices have run up from \$200 to \$400 an acre, and farmer Howman's fine place was the first one bought for about \$8,000. Then the farms of William Rogers and farmer King were gathered in, and all sorts of questions were ventured as to the purposes of the buyers; one being that the Reading Railway wanted the land, though not contiguous to the Readings other nearest Bucks county property. Everybody's curiosity has been aroused as to the plans of the purchasers.

Millionaire Dies of Burns.

Pottstown.—As a result of burns received in an explosion when emptying alcohol into a lighted stove, used to cheer up her room under an overcast sky, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Grant, widow of John B. Grant, said to be the richest woman in Berks county, died at her home at Douglassville. Women servants who went to her assistance lost their self possession, and when one of the men laborers finally beat out the flames she had sustained fatal burns.

Mrs. Grant was the only daughter of the late Colonel M. H. Messchert, a multi-millionaire, with vast real estate holdings in the business center of Philadelphia, and she was the principal beneficiary of his fortune.

Molly's Queer Brood.

Leeburg.—Four little kittens, two newly born bunnies and two little speckled guinea chicks are strange bedfellows on the farm of Edward King in Manor township, and Mr. King's attempt to separate them has proved futile.

Recently "Molly" the King family's big Maltese cat, went to a hayrack not far from the barn and there arranged a soft, cozy place for a litter of kittens. Not wishing to disturb her, members of the family never went near the place. One morning "Molly" came marching into the house with the strangely assorted family. The feline mother had evidently taken possession of a guinea hen's nest; but how the bunnies entered the abode is a mystery.

Hill Mishap Kills 'Cyclo.

York.—Carey Wilmer, the fifteen-year-old boy who was run down and injured by an automobile on the Wrightsville Pike, died in the York Hospital. Wilmer was thrown from a bicycle while descending a hill directly in the path of an automobile driven, it is said, by H. T. Mingle, of Harrisburg. One of the pedals of Wilmer's machine locked with the pedal on a bicycle ridden by a companion, and this caused the accident.

Bee's Sting Kills Quickly.

Bristol.—John Pickering, a well known farmer of Woodbourne, was working on the farm when he was stung on the back of the neck by a large bee, and within fifteen minutes died. Dr. Heritage, of Langhorne, says death was the result of paralysis of the heart, caused by the pain and shock, but the case is the first of its kind ever known in this vicinity.

Autoists Admit Accident.

Stroudsburg.—The mystery in the death of John Corley, of Anantoni, who was found by the roadside near that place in a battered condition, has been partially cleared by the appearance before the District Attorney of John Brewer, chauffeur, and a party of motorists, all of Cresco, who admit running over the man accidently, but claim that he was not seriously hurt when they picked him up and that a stranger approached during this time and took charge of the injured man.

Hastens Woman's Death.

Wiconisco.—Harry Thomas, the little boy who fell from a tree, y picking cherries, and had his eye lacerated, was taken to Harrisburg for treatment. The doctor says there is a slight chance of his regaining sight of the injured eye, from which he was picking cherries in the yard of Miss Anna Miss Stalks has been quite some time, and was expected some few days. The shoe Harry's fall, tended to his death.