

FIGHTING IN MEXICO NOT THROUGH YET

Insurrectos Expected To Wage Guerrilla Warfare For Months—Unconfirmed Rumor Of Heavy Battle.

FEDERAL TRAIN REPAIRS TRACK

Chihuahua, Mex., Dec. 29.—Heavy fighting is rumored to have occurred today or yesterday between the main bodies of the federals and the revolutionists. Owing to the lateness of the hour this cannot be confirmed tonight. An encounter has been expected since Sunday.

Official notes today, which seem to be confirmed by developments, indicate that the first stage of the insurrection in Western Chihuahua is over and the second had begun.

The government believes that the insurrectos fought their last organized battle at Pedernales two weeks ago, and that they have split up into small bands, which it will take months to capture or subdue.

These reports are confirmed by the fact that Mal Paso, the key to the railroad, is free of them, and that General Navarre is now in control of the situation all along the line.

The train ordered to proceed to Pedernales for wounded, was unable to get away from here until early this morning. At noon it had reached St. Andrew.

The government reiterates its statement that the pass was occupied and a junction formed by Gen. Navarro by his reinforcements without seeing the enemy. This seems to be confirmed by the fact that the government train is now in the pass which was formerly the insurrectos' strong hold.

The federal troops must proceed cautiously as the swift moving horsemen of the revolutionists can rally two or three hundred men at short notice to attack any detachment which may be isolated.

Foreigners who are interested financially in the affected district face a long period of business stagnation. They say it will take months to pacify the western section of the state, even if there are no serious developments in the eastern and northern sections.

Information from the Ojunga districts is to the effect that the revolutionists in that section are mobilizing and have sent word to their western comrades to hold out until the former can advance on this city. One rumor placed the date at January 18. The reports lack confirmation, save for the fact that the district does support a body of insurrectos whose numbers are not known.

INQUEST ON DEATH OF ALLEN UNNECESSARY

Bangor, Maine, Dec. 29.—At the request of those who thought that suspicious circumstances attended the sudden death of Ivis M. Allen, aged 74, of East Dover, at Dexter last Sunday, Coroner Thomas J. Finnegan, of Bangor, made a trip to East Dover Thursday and, after an investigation, decided that no inquest was necessary as the suspicions bore no foundation.

Allen fell dead while attending service in the Advent church in Dexter on Christmas Day, and Dr. Thatcher pronounced the cause to be heart disease. Friends, however, suspected foul play, and an investigation was ordered.

BIG INCREASE IN MAINE LOBSTER HATCH

Output Has Nearly Doubled Since 1905—Due To State Propagation And Enforcement Of Short Lobster Law.

COMMISSION MUST CALL IN EXPERTS

Deadlock Still Exists in Awarding of Quebec Bridge Tenders—Lieut. Col. Mackenzie to Command 13th Brigade—Want Cartwright to Take Part in Reciprocity Negotiations.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 29.—For the second time since the Quebec bridge commission has had the plans of a new bridge under consideration experts will probably be called in to settle a difference which has arisen between members of the board on engineering points.

Appointment of experts is provided for in terms of the order in council, and experts were named on a previous occasion when Henry Holgate and a prominent American engineer were asked to report on an important difference of opinion.

The present trouble is that Messrs. Madjeska and Macdonald, of the board favor giving the contract to the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, a combination of the Dominion Bridge Company and Canadian Bridge Company of Walkerville, while Mr. Vautelet favors acceptance of the tender of Empire Bridge Company of England, which is based on the board's own plans.

Apparently the only way out of the difficulty is for the board to avail itself of the provisions of the order in council appointing them and call in experts.

An effort is being made to induce Sir Richard Cartwright to accompany Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. Wm. Patterson to Washington to take part in the reciprocity negotiations, but it is unlikely that he will go. The proceedings there will begin probably on January 12.

Mr. Fielding while still suffering from his facial trouble, is in much better health than he was in the autumn. It is expected that he will be in his seat in the house after his return from Washington.

A model of Quebec city by Joan Baptiste Duberger, which was made towards the end of the eighteenth century, is now at the archives. It has been retouched by Rev. Father O'Leary, who has painted a panoramic background of the country adjoining.

The model was in the care of the British war office till two years ago when it was given to Canada. Duberger was engaged eleven years in making the model, which is 20 by 16 feet and represents Quebec as it was 120 years ago, even to the details of the buildings.

Militia Orders. Militia orders issued today announce that Major R. A. Helmer is appointed director of musketry, and Albert E. Swift, inspector of small arms. Lieut. Col. A. C. Henderson will command the 3rd infantry brigade vice Col. A. Bertram who goes to the reserve.

Col. A. Roy becomes D. O. C. for the Quebec district in place of Col. Gordon, who has been retired. Lieut. Col. J. D. B. P. Mackenzie will command the 13th infantry brigade. Major W. C. Good becomes Lieut. Colonel of fourth artillery brigade.

ANARCHY FUNDS FROM LONDON ROBBERIES

Investigation Of Police Murders Reveal Systematic Propaganda—Explosives Found Among Effects.

London, Dec. 29.—Some of the evening papers report that the police investigations of the recent burglaries committed by a band of Russians show that London was the headquarters of a gang which carried on extensive robberies to secure money with which to further an anarchistic propaganda.

Literature preaching anarchy has been discovered among the burglars' effects as well as explosives which might be used in the construction of bombs or for the purposes of safe blowing.

Translators are engaged on bundles of letters discovered and which, according to the newspapers, make important revelations. Several anarchist clubs have meeting places in the east end where the burglars lived, but they have not been molested as the members confined their activities to writing and making speeches.

The papers say that the government is likely to change its policy in this respect as it is already indicated in the recent suggestion of an anarchist paper. Neighbors of the burglar who was fatally wounded at the time that three police officers, who had interrupted a burglary, were shot to death, state that the man recently made a trip to America and that he received mail from that country.

Waiting For Work. Gathered this forenoon in and about the little boiler building which was some distance from the icehouse, were about 125 men, mostly Poles and Italians, awaiting the chance to earn a few dollars by cutting ice. With a few hours had elapsed before State Officer A. H. McNeil was assigned by the Massachusetts district police officials to make a thorough investigation of the cause of the explosion and determining the responsibility.

At a special meeting of the city council, hastily called this afternoon, to deal with the situation, resolutions were adopted calling for immediate action to supply the wants of those left fatherless and to help the injured. Upon the suggestion of Mayor Wm. H. Macinnis, a subscription paper was started and within a short time nearly \$3,000 had been subscribed. U. S. Senator Winthrop Murray Crane, whose home is in Dalton, near here, headed the list with \$500, and Arthur N. Cooley, Fred G. Crane and Zenas M. Crane each gave an equal sum. Many other small contributions were made.

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Recovered parts of the bodies were in some cases found from 100 to 200 feet from the site of the destroyed building. The boiler house and the boiler itself were broken into hundreds of pieces. The ice house was damaged but little, and the entire monetary loss is not expected to exceed \$500.

Members of the firm of Shand and Leshure, the owners of the ice company, stated several hours after the explosion that Wm. Dunn, the engineer, died, Ward the fireman, and Edgar Allen were the only men in the building regularly employed by the company. According to the officials all the others had been engaged today to commence the harvesting of the crop of ice this afternoon.

When it became known here that a serious explosion had occurred, parties were formed and proceeded immediately to the scene. Physicians took the lead followed by every ambulance in the city. Many automobiles assisted in the removal of the injured. A number of friends and relatives of the victims hastened to the scene and a sad group surrounded the demolished boiler house. The injured men were placed in ambulances or automobiles and hurried to the hospital here. Then the dismembered bodies were carefully gathered together and removed to the homes of the families of the dead. In some instances, the bodies were so badly blackened and mutilated that identification was impossible for many hours.

DEATH LIST WILL REACH EIGHTEEN

Explosion of Boiler at Pittsfield Ice Plant With Terrific Force Sent Bodies Flying Over 100 Feet—Crowd of 125 Were Waiting for Employment—Investigating Cause

Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 29.—The lives of sixteen workers were obliterated today by the explosion of a boiler at the plant of the Morewood Lake Ice Co. at Morewood lake, two miles south of this city. Twelve men were killed instantly, one died shortly after the accident and three others died in the hospital. In addition 12 others were seriously injured, and it was stated tonight at the House of Mercy here, the hospital to which the injured were removed, that it was feared that two of the patients would die.

The dead are: William Dunn—Engineer, George Ward—Fireman, John Raymond—Carpenter, Edgar Allen—Employee, Leo Termand—Laborer, M. P. Smith—Laborer, Wyatt Moore—Laborer, William Pepsen—Laborer, Alfred Bence—Laborer, Frederick Ruther—Laborer, Elmer Eldridge—Laborer, James McNulty—Laborer, George Houghtaling—Laborer, Jos. Gallego—Laborer, Obeltine Gallego—Laborer, Unidentified laborer.

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INSANE MAN INDICTED FOR \$90,000 THEFT

Robbin Held On Technical Charge Of Stealing From Savings Bank Of Which He Was President.

CONNECTED WITH LATE NORTHERN BANK

New York, Dec. 29.—It took the grand jury just one hour this afternoon to indict Joseph G. Robbin on a charge of the larceny of \$90,000 from the Savings Bank, of which he was president.

The bank passed into the hands of the state banking department this afternoon, there to keep company with the Northern bank of New York, on whose executive committee he was chairman, and with which his name has been hitherto prominently connected.

The district attorney explained that out of a mass of evidence drawn from the records of both institutions he had chosen the charge that he thought could be presented most simply to a jury.

Robbin was immediately placed under arrest at the home of his sister, Dr. Louis Robbinovitch, but his arraignment was postponed until tomorrow, when he must give bail in \$25,000 or go to jail pending either a trial or determination of his sanity.

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Montreal, Dec. 29.—The Liberals succeeded in carrying St. Johns by an increased majority in the bye-election which was held today to fill the vacancy in the Quebec legislature caused by the death of the sitting member, Gabriel Marchand.

In today's contest Marcelin Robert, the Liberal standard bearer of the Gouin government, was elected over Henri Hobert, Nationalist, by a majority of about 600. At the last general election Marchand, Liberal, was elected by a majority of 322.

The Liberals, after the defeat in Drummond and Arthabaska, put up superhuman efforts to carry the constituency by a bigger majority as a defeat or a reduced majority in St. Johns after the defeat in Drummond and Arthabaska would have been regarded as a deadly blow to the Liberal cause. For this reason members of the Laurier government made the fight their own and a host of Liberal members were active in the contest.

SMOKE DAMAGE FIREARMS BY AT BANGOR FIRE LICENSE ONLY

Loss May Reach \$10,000 As Result Of Blaze Starting From Defective Flue—Woman Carried Out In Beds.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 29.—Fire supposed to have originated around a defective furnace in the basement of the four story brick building at 96 Main street, caused heavy smoke damage to that building, and the building adjoining tonight. No. 96 Main street is owned by Frederick W. Hill and occupied on the ground floor by the J. C. White Company, dry goods.

The White store was quickly filled with smoke, causing heavy damage to the stock, and the music store of M. H. Andrews, at 98 Main street was also badly smoked. The loss by fire is slight, but the damage by smoke is estimated from \$5,000 to \$10,000, covered by insurance.

Mrs. Emma J. Veazie and Mrs. C. Percy Southard, invalids, were carried in beds from rooms on upper floors by the police.

Bill May Be Introduced In Massachusetts Legislature Forbidding Purchase, Carrying Or Use Without Fee.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 29.—The next Massachusetts legislature will be asked to consider the advisability of passing a bill which will forbid anyone not belonging to the militia or police force to "buy, hire, lease, receive, use or carry firearms," without securing a special license for that purpose.

The bill has been prepared by District Attorney Pellitier, of Suffolk county, with the co-operation and endorsement of each of the other district attorneys of the state and was prompted by the murder which occurred recently in the office of District Attorney Pellitier.

It is proposed to have licenses issued by the state board of Boston and the licensing boards of each city and town, the fee to be \$10, but no license to be granted to minors.

The penalty for infraction of the law is placed at a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$500 or by imprisonment in jail not exceeding one year.

MURDERER OF GIRL REFUSED PARDON

Three Of The Men Responsible For Death Of Jennie Boschester Have Application For Parole Turned Down.

WRECKED TRAIN ROLLS DOWN 30-FOOT BANK

Express Train From Boston In Run Off At Same Spot Where Accident Occurred Over a Year Before.

Schneetady, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Train No. 19 on the Boston and Maine from Boston for Rotterdam Jct., was wrecked near the latter place early today when the rear car left the tracks and rolled down a 30 foot bank, landing bottom side up.

Four express and baggage men were more or less bruised. The same train in charge of the same crew was wrecked near the same spot a year ago election day by a collision.

LABOR UNREST IN PORTUGAL

Paris, Dec. 29.—The correspondent of the Temps adds that the activity of the working classes in Portugal is another cause of uneasiness, strikers in the various trades frequently making demands which it is impossible to meet.

\$5,000 FIRE IN MAINE

Dexter, Maine, Dec. 29.—A spectacular fire tonight destroyed the Dexter House and stables causing a loss of \$5,000. Nearby buildings were saved after hard work. The property was owned by F. H. Hayes.

EARTHQUAKES FOR 5 DAYS

London, Dec. 29.—Special despatches from Athens say that the earthquakes in the Elis district have been continuous for five days. The villages of Lechana, 26 miles from Patras, and Andravida about 33 miles from Patras, have been destroyed.

The inhabitants of these villages who number about 2,450 and 1800, respectively, have fled to Pyrgos. Their distress has been increased by heavy rains. The shocks continue tonight and the full extent of the damage is not known.

PORTLAND IMMIGRATION. Portland, Maine, Dec. 29.—There were 2309 more immigrants arriving at the port of Portland during the year 1910, than came the year before. The total of the year was 5575 to 3269 for 1909.

LAURIER LOSES GRIP IN WEST

Member Of Farmers' Delegation Predicts That Government Will Not Get Single Supporter From West.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—The day of reckoning is at hand for the Ottawa Government, says George Lawrence, of the recent Grain Growers' delegates to Ottawa and member of the Manitoba Legislature for Killarney.

Mr. Lawrence declares that the farmers of the west have not been getting fair treatment regarding transportation facilities, agricultural implements, facilities for handling farm products, and a number of other things.

"I feel confident," he said, "that the Laurier Government will not receive a single supporter from the four western provinces. The farmers are now organized in that vast strip of country between the Winnipeg and the Rocky Mountains, and they will insist upon fair treatment.

They have watched carefully the proceedings in connection with the delegation to Ottawa, and am surprised at the manner in which the West has been treated. The request made by the delegation was reasonable, but the authorities appear to have but one object in view, and that is the extraction of everything possible from the people of the four western provinces."

UNIONIST MEMBER FOR CAMBRIDGE DEAD

Samuel Butcher Was Native Of Ireland And Well Known Professor—Wrote Extensively On Greek Subjects.

GUIDES ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

P. Allen As Secretary Of New Brunswick Association—Do Not Favor Changes.

Fredericton, Dec. 29.—The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Guides' Association was held this afternoon at the Queen Hotel, and the following officers elected:

President, W. Harry Allen, Peniac; Vice-President, S. B. Thomas, Fredericton; Secretary-Treasurer, J. Harold McMurray, Fredericton. Robt. P. Allen of this city had been secretary of the association for some years.

The association members were unfavorable to any change being made in the game laws. This evening at the Queen Hotel supper was held at which Surveyor-General Grimmer, Solicitor General McLeod, Oswald S. Crockett, M. P., and other prominent men were present.

BO 'LONGSHOREMEN GO OUT AT PORTLAND

Trouble Develops Over Loading Cars—Men Say They Were Discharged When They Refused To Work "Short."

Portland, Maine, Dec. 29.—Some 80 members of the Longshoremen's Union, employed by Trefethen & Dugan in unloading wood pulp from the steamers Hekter and Symra, struck today and the work is being done by non-union labor. The union claimed that enough men should be employed to load the cars besides unloading the steamers.

SHEEHAN AFTER DEREK'S SEAT

New York, Dec. 29.—William F. Sheehan made formal announcement of his candidacy for the United States senate tonight in a letter addressed to Mayor Louis Furman of Buffalo, who, with other prominent Buffalo Democrats, recently endorsed Mr. Sheehan for the seat which will become vacant when the term of Senator Dewey expires, on March 4th, 1911.

In defining his attitude toward national questions Mr. Sheehan declares his belief in a letter and spirit of the platform adopted at the last Democratic State Convention.

THREE ARRESTS FOR BURNING OF SCHOOL

Port Greville Building Destroyed And Arrests Quickly Follow—Held At Amherst For Preliminary Examination.

Special to The Standard. Parrsboro, Dec. 29.—Policeman Gilbert, acting under instructions from Detective Cadwell, made three arrests at Fox River this afternoon in connection with the burning of the Consolidated school house at Port Greville last night. The persons arrested are Benjamin Canning, Charles Cochran and Charles Morris. They were brought to Parrsboro and were taken to Amherst where they will be held for examination.

OWES OVER \$280,000; ASSETS ARE \$3,000

Boston, Dec. 29.—Liabilities contracted on the Pacific coast were the features of the voluntary bankruptcy petition filed by Harry B. Vender, a real estate broker in the United States District Court today. The total liabilities were placed at \$231,514, of which \$29,000 is secured and \$172,500 is unsecured. The assets were placed at \$2,850.

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NO WORD OF JAPANESE PLOT IN PHILIPPINES

Washington, Dec. 29.—Repeated publications of statements that Japanese in the Philippines have given cause to the belief that plots are being laid against Americans today called forth from the war department the assertion that no information has been received there to justify such statements.

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