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Irish Farmers May Form Protective Union.

Carranza Suicide Story Subject of Report -- Francisco Villa Defies New Mexican Government--The Times and The Empire--Getting After Sugar Profiteers -- D'Annunzio's Very Latest Sensation.

CARRANZA'S DEATH.

VERA CRUZ, May 25. The text of Col. Herrera's report to Mexico City was received here last night. The part relative to the attack on Carranza and the latter's death follows: "With the object of arresting Carranza and the principal officials who were with him, I attacked his camp at 3 o'clock in the morning, having eight men with me. He had resided at Tlaxcalanongo, in the district of Huastlan where there is a pass leading northward to the part of the Republic where he had planned to establish his seat of government. The President was under an escort of troops commanded by General Maurilla. When he realized that escape was impossible, Carranza committed suicide by shooting himself in the breast with his pistol, which he always carried. So close was the muzzle of the weapon to his breast that blood was splattered upon it and the barrel of the pistol still bears blood stains. The body was recovered and taken to Villa Juarez. Three of my men were killed and one wounded. Signed, Rodolfo Herrera." Four commissioners sent into the state by Puebla by General Obregon and Gonzales to investigate the circumstances attending the death of Carranza, have reported in view of the data they have secured and the manner in which the President was killed, they consider it unnecessary to go to Tlaxcalanongo.

PROTECTING THEMSELVES.

LONDON, May 25. A despatch to The Star from Dublin to-day reports the holding of a meeting there by the Irish Farmers' Union which considered the draft of a plan for the formation of a countywide body known as the "Farmers Freedom Force." This proposed force, says the message, would seek to protect agricultural pursuits by force if necessary against labor, socialism, or Bolshevism, irrespective of whatever political developments may occur in the country.

VILLA AGAIN.

EL PASO, Texas, May 25. General Villa, bidding defiance to the newest Mexican government again has become an outlaw among his own people. The bandit with a small force of men was reported between Parral and Jimenez, Chihuahua, a hundred quarry of de facto troops with a price of one hundred thousand pesos on his head.

THE POLES INTENTIONS.

BERNE, May 25. The Polish Government has just made known that so soon as the Polish Army has obtained the military objectives assigned to it the Government will declare itself ready to enter into four parleys with the Bolshevik Government. The place of meeting will be designated later.

ADVOCATES OF REVOLUTIONARY REGIME.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, May 25. Resolutions advocating the creation of a revolutionary regime based on the Soviet system were passed at the national Socialist congress in session here yesterday.

MADRID'S BREAD LINE.

MADRID, May 25. The bread supply became more plentiful in Madrid to-day and the authorities made arrangements to cause a decrease in the size of the bread lines which had formed for some days past because of bread scarcity. This was brought about by a distribution of loaves in many entries where the people could obtain supplies without long waiting.

LESSONS OF EMPIRE DAY.

LONDON, May 25. The Times, which publishes a big Empire number, deals in an editorial with the purpose and lessons of Empire Day celebration. It says "Inasmuch as the whole Empire is the creation of a single race the Empire has

in every part the stamp of a single tradition, and it is not impossible to believe the future will see the continued growth of a single imperial ideal, achieving in days of peace victories as great as those which kindred ideals achieved in days of war."

A SALMON TREATY.

WASHINGTON, May 25. A treaty between Canada and the United States covering the sockeye salmon fisheries was signed to-day by Secretary Colby for the United States, Ambassador Geddes for Great Britain and Sir Douglas Hazen for Canada.

JEAN CAMPBELL LEAKING.

HALIFAX, N.S., May 25. Schooner Jean Campbell from Philadelphia, May fifth, for St. John's, Newfoundland, put into Shelburne, Nova Scotia, to-day, leaking.

ENCOURAGING.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 25. A growing tendency toward thrift, general revision downward of prices of all commodities except food, and improvement in the labor situation are three encouraging factors noted in the report of the seventh federal reserve district issued to-day.

D'ANNUNZIO IN LOVE.

NEW YORK, May 25. The declining interest in Fiume shown by Gabriel D'Annunzio, Italian soldier-poet, is attributed by some to a report that he has fallen in love again. According to an Italian newspaper, D'Annunzio is seeking divorce and will marry as soon as he leaves his Fiume command.

SUGAR PROFITEERS IN THE TOIL.

BOSTON, May 25. The Federal Government to-day took action against sugar refiners for alleged profiteering and hoarding. The Revere Sugar Refinery and Henry Worcester, its vice-president, were

charged with exacting excessive prices and with holding sugar from the market, and the American Sugar Refining Co., and W. K. Green, its general manager, were charged with selling sugar at excessive prices. Complaints asserted that the companies had made millions of dollars by hoarding and regulating the price.

BRITAIN GETS DAMAGES AGAINST STEEL BROKER.

NEW YORK, N.Y., May 25. King George of Great Britain and Ireland to-day was awarded fifty-two thousand dollars damages in a hundred and seventy-five thousand suit brought on behalf of the British Government against Ernest Harrah, New York steel broker, for alleged failure to deliver steel scrap as per contract for use in Italy during the war.

BOLSHEVIKS DRIVEN BACK.

WARSAW, May 25. Bolshevik troops which succeeded in crossing the Upper Beresina in several places have been driven back across the river with heavy losses including more than 400 prisoners, according to an official statement issued here. The enemy is attacking along the entire northern Polish front but have been checked everywhere, it is declared. Fighting continues all along the whole front.

SMUGGLING WHISKEY BY AEROPLANE.

DES MOINES, Iowa, May 25. Police to-day searched for the airplane pilot who was said to have landed at a flying field near here yesterday afternoon from Winnipeg with eighteen cases of whiskey in his plane. He sold the whiskey for \$250 a case within two hours, the police said. The plane left Wintper at 8.30 in the morning and made the 560 mile trip in between seven and eight hours, the police said they learned. They did not reveal the hiding place of the plane.

Fads and Fashions.

Vails with the fine French dot are most popular.
Hats will grow larger as the summer advances.
Taffeta and tulle are most used for evening wear.
Hats of ribbon, hair and leghorn are lower trimmed.
The cape is very popular and is fashioned very full.
Suspender frocks are worn over dainty wash blouses.
Black and white will be worn together a great deal.
Tulle and taffeta make a combination hard to rival.
Silk draped in bows of foulard is used for small hats.
Checked and squared foulards are summer favorites.

South British Policy.

(From Harper's Weekly.)
The clear thinking and straight speaking which characterized the Prince of Wales in his intercourse with Americans while he was our guest are evidently a fixed habit, and do not desert him when he is among his own people. Some echo of the silly chatter which is periodically raised about sale of the British West Indies reached his ears while he was in Barbados a few weeks ago, and moved him to say, in an after-dinner speech:

You have probably heard that it was suggested the other day that the British Empire might pay off some of its war debt by selling part of the British West

Indies. What an idea! I need hardly say to you that the King's subjects are not for sale to other governments, and that their destiny as free men, is in their own hands. Your future is for yourselves to shape.

So long as the sovereign or his spokesman cherishes such sentiments, it will be quite safe for him to say of every colony, as the Prince added concerning Barbados:—"I am sure that Barbados will never waver in its loyalty to the British Crown." And the Prince is in the fifth generation from George III.

S.S. Schem left Halifax at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and will probably get away from here for Liverpool on Saturday.

Beaumont-Hamel Collection.

District—Monkstown Rd. to Williams St.; Barnes Rd. to Williams Street, with intersecting streets, a n d Central Fire Hall, Collectors Miss J. Edwards, Miss D. Christian \$108.52
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