

to Topet, rebel leader, state of Sonora.

Gen. Cocheu would not discuss the nature of the representations he intended to make to the rebel general, but it was intimated he would give a drastic warning.

Gen. Cocheu has at his disposal at Naco a squadron of cavalry and some infantry forces. It is considered likely these forces will be augmented by several units of the air corporation from headquarters at San Antonio if the fighting near the Arizona city should continue.

After sufficient warning to rebel leaders that repetition of such an air incursion would not be tolerated, it was felt that any aircraft invading American soil might be shot down once it passed over the international line.

**American Hit By Bomb**

Harry Baker, 25 years old, of Alliance, O., a motion picture cameraman's assistant was struck in the head by a steel fragment from one of the bombs. His injuries are not serious.

The second bomb injured no one and with the exception of shattering windows, did little property damage.

The bombs struck 116 and 168 feet within the American line, one of them exploding near a string of box cars topped with sightseers. The town was thrown into wild confusion.

Two other bombs from the rebel planes struck on the Mexican side near Federal fortifications, but did no damage.

While Gen. Cocheu prepared to go into Mexico through the rebel port of Agua Prieta, Sonora, Maj. Charles B. Hazeltine, commanding a detachment of United States infantry here, conferred with civil officials to keep sightseers out of the danger zones.

**Graver Condition Seen**

Probability of a graver military situation between the Federal forces across the line from here and the rebel forces encamped some five miles to the south, was seen in the arrival at Naco, Sonora, of two federal bombing planes and the pilots' report that they had successfully bombed rebel troops today.

The federal pilots, apparently sent here from Sonoyta, Sonora, federal base in western Sonora, could not estimate whether their attack had caused casualties.

## 2,568 Crossing Deaths Occur During 1928

Washington—A total of 2,568 persons lost their lives in highway grade crossing accidents in 1928, according to reports just filed by the railroad with the interstate commerce commission.

This was an increase of 197 over the number of such fatalities in 1927 and an increase of seventy-seven over 1926.

Reports show 6,667 persons injured in highway grade crossing accidents in 1928 compared with 6,618 in 1927 and an increase of seven eleven over 1926.

Fifty-eight hundred accidents involving for the most part automobiles, motor busses and motor trucks took place on highway grade crossings in 1928. This was an increase of 160 over the number of such accidents the preceding year but a decrease of sixty-two compared with 1926.

While this was an increase of approximately 3 per cent in the number of highway grade crossing accidents in 1928 over the preceding year, motor vehicles in operation in 1928 totaled approximately 24,000,000 or an increase of 7 per cent over 1927.

Millions of dollars are being spent annually in the crossing safety campaign to protect human life, not only by the installation of mechanical and other devices, but through the elimination of some of the most dangerous crossings.

### HOOVER WILL NOT CHANGE SHIPPING PERSONNEL

Washington—President Hoover is planning no changes in the personnel of the United States shipping board. Like other presidential appointees the members of the board submitted their resignations at the close of the Coolidge administration, but none is to be accepted.

While he does not believe tax revision will be possible during the next year, the Utah Senator, like Secretary Mellon, believes a cut in the rates applying on earned income should be given first consideration when revenue legislation is considered.

Figures made public today at the Treasury showed an increase of almost \$86,000,000 in income tax collections for March compared with a year ago. In March the bulk of the first payments on income taxes are paid.

Collections from income taxes for the current fiscal year which ends June 30 totaled \$1,686,564,000 on April 1, compared with \$1,624,174,000 for the same period a year ago.

Other Government revenue producing sources shared in the increased returns last month. Customs receipts were \$55,000,000 or about \$7,000,000 more than in March last year, while the miscellaneous internal revenue items yielded \$50,000,000 last month, a slight increase over a year ago.

## Mrs. Owen Begins New Work With Efficient System

Washington—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, who prefers to win recognition on her own merit rather than as the daughter of William Jennings Bryan, has spent a flustered two weeks, preparing herself to represent the Fourth Florida District in the Seventy-First Congress.

Her office in the House office building has been in full running order for more than two weeks, and probably will continue to be a clearing house for Florida problems for the remaining two weeks before the special session begins.

She has painstakingly compiled a list of the pressing needs of the residents of her district, gathered during the months she spent campaigning up and down the eastern coast of Florida and through an extensive correspondence with State leaders. With this in hand, she has gone to the heads of Government departments and gotten a list of activities which might help solve the problems. By comparing the two, she has found out the needs for which little or no Federal aid has been provided, and these will be the points on which she will try to engineer legislation during the next regular session.

An innovation she has established in the Florida delegation is the posting of a home secretary in the center of her district. This secretary is in close touch with the residents, makes frequent trips to the agricultural districts, little coast settlements, big cities, and even to the scattered islands off the southern tip, one of which is sixty miles from the mainland.

He reports directly to Mrs. Owen and keeps her constantly in touch with conditions in her home State. She in turn keeps him supplied with all reports and bulletins issued by the Government touching on anything that even remotely concerns her district.

In addition, this tall, bobbed-haired representative is sponsoring a high school citizenship contest in each of the eighteen counties of her district. The high school population of each county will take a popular vote to select the boy and girl who best represent the ideals of good citizenship in the county. The thirty-six winners will begin a trip to Washington next summer.

### Board Asks

### Traffic Law

Members of the Jeffersonville Police Board passed a resolution at a meeting at the police station Tuesday night, asking the City Council to pass an ordinance regulating traffic during the time of a fire in the city. According to the Board's recommendations, motorists are inclined to follow fire wagons in the city when an alarm is sounded. At the scene of the fire, automobiles are said to crowd in so close to the space occupied by firemen that they prevent firemen from having the available space in which to work. The resolution asks that machines be ordered to stay at a distance of 500 feet.

## Charles Resigns From City Police Force Wednesday Of New Ambassador

Clarence F. Charles, formerly patrolman on the Jeffersonville force, tendered his resignation to A. R. Schimpff a member of the Police Commissioners of the city on Wednesday morning, according to reports today from police headquarters.

Mr. Charles is said to have made no statement upon his resignation.

The patrolman went into the service as a city policeman on January 4, 1926 with the present administration. He is the third member of the force to have resigned from the police staff since the policemen were named at the beginning of the administration of Mayor Harry C. Poindexter.

According to reports today Robert Short was said to have been the first patrolman to have resigned, Frank Welborn submitted his resignation, upon request of the department and Harry Upchurch, recently resigned to enter the service of the State Prohibition Department.

No appointments have been made by the board it was said today.

### Nary A One

Newton, Mass.—Police of this city, accustomed to automobile parking problems, had a new experience when a rural resident appeared at headquarters and asked:

"Say, ain't there a hitching post in this town?"

The authorities admitted that there wasn't but they assisted the visitor in securing his reins to a trolley pole while he went to a nearby bank.

## Two Wives File Divorce Suits

Two wives filed suits for divorce in the Clark Circuit Court on Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Emma Broy, 822 Fulton street, seeks a divorce from Frank Broy, according to her petition filed. The couple was married on September 21, 1911 and separated on March 26, 1929. Cruel and inhuman treatment are charged. The plaintiff also alleges the defendant refused to work. The custody of four children, Fletcher, 16; Arnold, 14; Meda, 9 and Rudolph 5, is sought. The plaintiff asks a sufficient support allowance. A restraining order preventing the defendant from visiting or molesting the plaintiff was also issued. Support allowance during the pendency of the suit was also sought in the petition.

Mrs. Magdeline Frances Streerval, infant by her next friend Daisy N. Shelton filed suit for a divorce against Alvin Streerval. The couple was married on January 21, 1927 and separated on March 28, 1928.

Cruel and inhuman treatment are charged. The defendant is said to possess an ungovernable temper, to have treated the plaintiff with contempt, continually nag, fumes at her and does not properly provide her and her child with the necessities of life. Divorce, custody of Charles David Streerval, 7 months old, and support allowance are asked by the petitioner.

### HOOVER REVISES SPEECH TO CONGRESS

Washington—President Hoover has completed the first draft of his message to the special session of Congress, and is now engaged in revising the document. He plans to send it to the Capitol by messenger for reading by the clerks of both houses, rather than to deliver it in person, as has been done by some of his predecessors.

## Hoover, Stimson Forced To Think Of New Ambassador

CONSIDERATION OF DAWES FOR LONDON POST MAY CHANGE TO PARIS

Washington—The death of Ambassador Myron T. Herrick at Paris has forced upon President Hoover and Secretary Stimson a number of problems, in the selection of a successor, which they had hoped not to have to consider for some time.

Neither President Hoover nor Secretary Stimson, who was in New York when the news of Mr. Herrick's death shocked official Washington late Sunday, has had time to give the serious thought necessary to the selection of a successor. They can be expected not to act hurriedly in making a decision, since the new Ambassador will be confronted with a number of important and difficult problems. These problems include such matters as the settlement of France's war debt to the United States, regularization of Franco-American commercial relations now conducted under a modus vivendi arrangement and the laying of the groundwork with France, England, Italy and Japan for the first conference for revision of the Washington naval limitations treaty in 1932.

### Cite Dawes For Paris

The nature of the tasks which the new Ambassador will be called upon to perform has led to the suggestion that Former Vice President Charles C. Dawes, most prominently mentioned for the highly prized London post, may now be asked to go to Paris instead. His affairs, it is recalled, have been more definitely identified with Paris than with London. It has not been made known however, whether he is willing at this time to add a diplomatic chapter to his varied career.

At the same time, consideration of Dawes in connection with the London assignment has led to the suggestion that Former Secretary Frank B. Kellogg might be asked to go to Paris. He is now en route to the French capital on a vacation he began with Mrs. Kellogg after his release from the State Department last week by Secretary Stimson. Another possibility, assuming that this 72-year-old veteran is willing to return to public service so soon after his retirement is that he might now be offered the London post, which he held when appointed Secretary of State, and Dawes be given the Paris assignment.

### Two Men Suggested

Both of these suggestions are based on the desirability of having men of equal distinction at the two capitals. Two other names appear on the diplomatic list which are almost certain to be considered by President Hoover and his new Secretary of State before they finally select Mr. Herrick's successor. One is Ambassador Hugh Gibson at Bern, Switzerland, and the other is Ambassador Henry P. Fletcher at Rome. The former has long been a personal friend of President Hoover and is regarded as eminently qualified for the Paris assignment. The expense of serving there, far in excess of salary and allowances, might cause him to decline such an appointment, however, since he is a career man in the diplomatic service and not possessed of a large private fortune.

Ambassador Fletcher is known to have desired a transfer to Paris or London at one time, and to have made a most favorable impression on President Hoover during his Latin inauguration. Indications are, however, that if he is to be transferred from Rome it will be the idea of advancing the Executive's ideas for Latin-American rapprochement.

### Joint Meeting Of Legion And Auxiliary

All members of The American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary are urged to attend the joint meeting of the two organizations at the Auxiliary rooms tonight.

Members of the Auxiliary are also asked to bring jelly for the Knightsdown home as this must reach the home by April seventh.