

ANOTHER CHAPTER OF THE STORY OF MEXICO

Mediation Meetings Have Been Favorable so Far, With no Hitches Reported.

VILLA KEEPS ON MOVING

Congressmen Are Without Knowledge and Some of Them Are Becoming Uneasy.

[By Fred S. Ferguson, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., May 27.—So favorable have been the "conversations" between the A. B. C. mediators and the two sets of delegates attempting to settle the future of Mexico, that it was believed today another full conference which might possibly be called tomorrow, would pave the way for early settlement. No disagreements have yet occurred. Following reports of differences of opinion between the Mexican and American delegates on the land problem, it was stated on the highest authority today that this question was the least of the troubles confronted by the mediators. It is accepted that land reforms must be enacted in Mexico. Otherwise pacification of the country would be impossible. It is realized that the establishment of a new government in the republic without land reforms would only mean another revolution. Any provisional government that may be established will be pledged to land reforms, including a plan for the redistribution of land which the revolutionists have been fighting. Just how the conference here will handle the matter is apparently the only question involved. The Mexican delegates admit such reforms should be a part of the pacification plan.

The Mexicans feel that it is not the duty of the mediation conference to write laws for Mexico. The land problem has run through generations and they do not believe it can be solved here with one stroke of the pen. The mediators may only take up such matters as the delegates propose and it will rest with the American representatives to suggest some move toward removing this fundamental cause of all revolutionary movements. The question will be whether the scope of mediation will include a set plan for the solution of the problem or whether it will be left to the provisional government.

Those close to the Mexican delegates do not believe that any direct plan of land reform will be put down in black and white as a part of the final agreement. But they do believe that the Mexican delegates will know exactly what the United States expects in the solution of this problem and that the delegates will have the power of the American government behind them in seeing that the reforms proposed are carried out.

The delegates expected to continue their "conversations" today on board the train, carrying them to Toronto. They were to be the guests this afternoon at a garden party given by Sir John Gibson and Lady Gibson, and left here at 9:30 a. m.

Carranza's Part.

[By John Edwin Nevin, United Press Staff Correspondent.]
WASHINGTON, May 27.—That Carranza will approve the list from which Huerta's successor is to be selected on there can be no result of the Niagara Falls peace conference, it is said today. Carranza is not to be included unless something unforeseen develops. He has made it per-

fectly plain in messages sent the state department through Consul Carothers however, that no provisional president approved by Huerta will be satisfactory to him. The plan of submitting a list of selected names to the Mexican congress and of this body choosing one to succeed Huerta has in effect the approval of the constitutionalists. They insist however, that these names must be of men opposed to the elements that have recently dominated Mexican affairs.

It is this proposition that contains the "dynamite" of the Mexican situation, according to officials here. Carranza and Villa are a unit in their insistence that they hold Mexico in their power. They will not be robbed of the fruits of victory. Unless the mediators take their views they will refuse to be bound by mediation. Secretary Bryan is, as a result, keeping in direct touch with Carranza through the junta officials here. Hardly a day goes by that John Lind, acting for Bryan does not consult Judge Douglas and other constitutionalist lawyers. It is the result of these conferences that instructions are prepared for American commissioners at Niagara Falls.

Meanwhile congress continues to chafe over the lack of authentic information regarding what is going on behind the scenes. Even the chairman of the foreign affairs committee, is without knowledge. There is much quiet criticism, expected to develop into open assaults on the administration should affairs turn out as is intimated in news dispatches from the Canadian border, that the United States has modified its demands for the unconditional retirement of Huerta.

Officials in touch with the situation nevertheless insist no matter what concession is made, it will be found of a character approved of by the people of the United States.

"Big Piece of News."

[By William G. Shepherd, United Press Staff Correspondent.]
VERA CRUZ, Mexico, May 27.—Emissaries from Mexico City have asked General Fred Funston if Gen. Victoriano Huerta would be welcomed within the American lines, according to a report current here this afternoon.

General Funston declined to make any statement when asked about the story, but admitted that he had asked Washington to permit him to make public a "big piece of news" later today. There was no confirmation here of rumors that Huerta was enroute to Puerto Mexico to take passage on a German ship. Citizens of the capital arriving here expected the dictator sooner or later to flee.

Rebels Cut Railroad.

[By C. H. Raymond, United Press Staff Correspondent.]
ON BOARD U. S. S. CALIFORNIA, OFF MAZATLAN, May 26.—(By wireless to San Diego, May 27.)—Mexican rebel troops today cut the railroad which connects Manzanillo and Guadalajara. Gen. Alvaro Obregon after taking this action to prevent reinforcements reaching Guadalajara, is pushing southward presumably with Salina Cruz as his destination.

The federal garrison of Manzanillo is running short of food. Constitutionalists expect the federals to evacuate Guaymas soon.

Villa Continues to Advance.

TORREON, Coahuila, Mexico, May 27.—The advance of General Francisco Villa's constitutionalist army on Zacatecas is well under way. Hundreds of carloads of bridge material, rails, etc., and thousands of pioneers have been going south since Sunday and the railroad is being repaired to make it passable for troop trains.

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LABORING MAN AND THE CHURCH

Charge That There is No Place for Working Man in Church

MILLIONS ARE MEMBERS

Compromise Plan for Reorganization of Board of Home Missions is Discussed by Presbyterians.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, May 27.—Dr. Edgar P. Hill, member of the board of home missions of the Presbyterian church, today defended the church against the general charge that it held no place for the laboring man, in an address before the Presbyterian general assembly. Within the past year, ten million working men in the United States, Ireland and Scotland have been brought in touch with Christianity through home mission work, Dr. Hill said. Some rich men, he said, had even offered the criticism that the church was devoting too much time to the laboring classes.

"It is possible that we may lose a few thousands in contributions from wealthy men," said he, "but we can stand the loss of a few dollars, if we are busy saving red blooded men."

Dr. Hill urged more home mission work in New York, Chicago and other great industrial centers, particularly among the foreign born population. He told the assembly that while saving a man's soul was in his opinion more important than filling his stomach, the church should not lose sight of the fact that poverty was one of the evils it must combat.

A compromise plan for reorganization of the board of home missions offered today by Dr. John Ross Stevenson, of Philadelphia, chairman of the standing committee on home missions, was adopted with little debate. Its adoption ended a stiff fight that has been on since the assembly convened, over the administration of home mission affairs. Among other provisions the new plan of reorganization creates a home mission council in which each synod be represented, the council to meet once a year to outline home mission policies. Some criticism has been leveled on the old board on the ground that eastern churches controlled its policies.

Suit Against Governor.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
TOPEKA, Kans., May 27.—The damage suit brought by Mrs. Luella West of Wichita, Kans., against Governor Hodges for alleged personal injuries will be brought to trial Monday morning in the Shawnee county district court here. It is not expected the trial will last more than two days as much of the evidence has already been taken.

Breach of Promise.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, May 27.—"He told me his career in winning souls was more worthy than my love," declared Georgia W. Jay, pretty blond, in her \$50,000 breach of promise suit against Homer Rhodeaver, Billy Sunday's choir boy, on trial here. Stories of moonlight boat rides, auto rides and a taxi when Rhodeaver, she said, kissed her and promised to marry her, were recited by Miss Jay today. She said the choir boy "broke it off" three years ago.

The Illinois Campaign.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
LOUISVILLE, Ill., May 27.—The speech making of Roger Sullivan, Carl S. Vrooman, Harry Woods and other democratic candidates for the United States senate will have to yield a share of public interest Friday, May 29, when Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman comes here from Washington, formally to open his campaign for reelection.

A bitter attack on the democratic tariff policy is expected to be the feature of Sherman's address.

Shot Two Burglars.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., May 27.—Discovering two negro burglars in his saloon early today, Chas. Oemichael shot both, perhaps fatally. They gave the names of James Baird and Edward Thomas.

Killed by Automobile.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 27.—R. J. Jackman, 75, of Beatrice, Neb., died at midnight of injuries received when he became confused and stepped in front of an automobile, driven by Charles J. Boehm, who gave bond.

WIFE'S STORY TO GOVERNOR

Resulted in Quick Release of Husband From County Jail Where She Had Sent Him.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 27.—Mrs. Max Smith, of Chicago, a Jewish woman, at dawn today sat on the steps of the state capitol here, holding in her arms three small children, the oldest eleven years, the youngest three, suffering with a broken arm. She had three dollars in her purse. Her baby is near death in a Chicago hospital, suffering with pneumonia. Her husband is in the Cook county jail under a year's sentence for adultery.

Mrs. Smith left Springfield at noon carrying a commutation of her husband's sentence and enough money to keep her until her husband can get employment and the party of four had dined at the executive mansion.

Arriving at his office at 9 o'clock, Governor Dunne heard the woman's story first from watchmen who found her huddled on the steps, and later from her own trembling lips. She pleaded for the pardon of her husband whom she had arrested when he showed infatuation for another woman.

The governor convened the pardons board and obtained instant action. Governor Dunne also commuted the sentence of John Gregory, serving an indeterminate sentence at Joliet for robbery in Kane county, and Clifford Haggard, serving an indeterminate sentence for robbery in Fulton county. Both men have been employed in "honor" road camps.

ILLINOIS ELKS IN CONVENTION

Big Parade to be Held Tomorrow With Three Thousand Members in Line.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
PEORIA, Ill., May 27.—More than 1,000 Elks were in the city today when Mayor Woodruff formally welcomed the delegates to the eleventh annual convention of the Illinois Elks' association. Three thousand more are expected to be here by tomorrow afternoon when the parade will be held. Grand Exalted Ruler Leach, of New York, is to lead the parade. Dr. L. R. Lumpkin, of Mattoon, president, and other state officers arrived last evening. The report of the credentials committee occupied the session this morning. The executive committee was to meet this afternoon. The convention continues through Friday.

THE WEATHER

For Keokuk and vicinity: Unsettled but generally fair tonight and Thursday. Continued warm.

For Iowa and Missouri: Unsettled but generally fair tonight and Thursday. Continued warm.

For Illinois: Unsettled but generally fair tonight and Thursday. Cooler near Lake Michigan tonight.

Weather Conditions.

With the pressure remaining high in the southeastern states, the warm wave continues in the northern districts from the plains eastward, where the temperature rose above ninety degrees at many stations yesterday, reaching ninety-two at St. Paul and Boston.

In the southern mountain and plains states, where the pressure is moderately low, the weather continues unsettled.

There have been light showers or thunderstorms in portions of the region between the Missouri river and the Mississippi, which were heaviest at Omaha, where the rainfall was 0.40 inches.

Conditions indicate unsettled, but generally fair, and continued warm for this section tonight and Thursday.

Daily River Bulletin.

Station	Stage	Height	Change	W'thr
St. Paul	....14	3.8	x0.3	Clear
La Crosse	....12	5.3	x0.1	Cl'dy
Dubuque	....18	....	....	Rain
Davenport	....15	5.9	-0.1	Cl'dy
Keokuk	....14	6.1	-0.1	Cl'dy
St. Louis	....30	10.6	-0.4	Clear

River Forecast.

The river will continue to fall slowly from Davenport to Keokuk during the next forty-eight hours.

Local Observations.

May	Bar.	Ther.	Wind	W'thr
26 7 p. m.	—30.02	86	S	Clear
27 7 a. m.	—30.10	73	S	Cl'dy

River above low water of 1864, 6.1. Change in 24 hours, fall 1 tenth. Mean temperature 26th, 82. Lowest temperature, 74. Highest temperature, 91. Lowest temperature last night, 73.

CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT, 1916

Roosevelt Will Run Again on Bull Moose Ticket According to Kelly.

BE NO AMALGAMATION

Merger of Two Parties Was Not Discussed by Colonel and His Backers in Capital Yesterday.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
WASHINGTON, May 27.—Just what Roosevelt and the progressives in congress discussed behind closed doors late last night, was divulged for the first time today. The progressive leaders here insisted that the 1916 presidential fight was not considered or even mentioned. Neither was the prospect for amalgamation of bull moose and republicans, they insisted. They admitted that Roosevelt set the stamp of his emphatic approval upon the efforts and legislative program of the progressives in congress.

According to Representative Kelly, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the bull moose legislative committee, Roosevelt received reports from House Leader Murdock and Senator Clapp. "Mr. Murdock explained the various progressive bills of the session and outlined activities of individual members," said Kelly. "The colonel very strongly approved the course followed by us."

"Senator Clapp performed a similar service for the progressive in the senate. Folks have been wondering about Senator Clapp's political affiliations in as much as he designated himself a republican in the congressional directory; but he left no doubt when he referred to himself and Senator Poindexter of Washington as the only two progressives in the senate."

"The question of amalgamation between the republicans and progressive parties was not considered, but republicans will be compelled to endorse Mr. Roosevelt in 1916."

Marshall Says He Will.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 27.—Here for a school commencement speech today, Vice President Marshall summed up the legislative political and general outlook as follows: "The national prohibition amendment will not pass; the central government has too much power already."

"If Roosevelt is alive in 1916 he will be a presidential candidate. He will never lead a fusion of progressives and republicans because old line republicans will never accept him."

"We all hope for peace in Mexico, but with the Mexican temperament in view no one knows what will happen. "Business conditions are good. Everybody, I am sure, trusts the president."

Choice of Directors.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
ST. LOUIS, May 27.—Members of the St. Louis national banks which have been allotted stock in the federal reserve bank, have selected Walker Hill, president of the Merchants American National bank, F. O. Watts, president of the Third National bank and Murray Carleton, chairman of the board of the Carleton Ferguson Dry Goods company as their choice of directors of the reserve bank.

Drowned in Mississippi.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
ROCK ISLAND, Ill., May 27.—Ross Spade, a soldier of the ordnance department, at Rock Island arsenal, disappeared a week ago. Today his body was found floating in the Mississippi at Andalusia, fourteen miles below the arsenal. Spade, who enlisted from Virginia, had tied six small cannon balls, weighing all together sixty pounds, about his neck and jumped into the river. The cause of the suicide is not known.

Endorsing Bankers.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
PEORIA, Ill., May 27.—The First National bank directors have instructed W. E. Stone, their elector, to vote for Geo. M. Reynolds of Chicago, for class A director in the regional bank board.

Robt. D. Clarke of this city was endorsed for class B director.

He Has \$1.92 Left.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, May 27.—Debts totaling \$153,890 and assets of \$1.92 were listed by Wm. H. Engelman, broker, who filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy.

TELLS STORY OF COLORADO

Wives of Two Miners Tell of Some of the Horrors of the Civil War and Coal Strike.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]

NEW YORK, May 27.—Graphic word pictures of the terrors of the Colorado strike war were painted today for the United States commission on industrial relations, by wives of two miners.

Mrs. Pearl Jolly, who was under fire for several days in the Ludlow tent colony and Mrs. Mary Hanna Thomas, who helped remove the bodies of eleven women and children from the burned tents after the fighting, were allowed to tell their stories.

Mrs. Jolly denied charges that the miners were heavily armed. She said the men had only forty rifles, the others having been confiscated and given to Baldwin-Feltz detectives and the militia. She declared she had been many times fired upon while wearing a Red Cross nurse's uniform and was once hit.

Mrs. Thomas declared that militiamen ruined "dozens of young girls" during their stay at Ludlow.

John T. Taggart, president of the central body of the Building Trades union of greater New York was to be the first regular witness today. Others to be heard were Chas. F. Massey, organizer for the structural iron workers and G. Freudenthal, secretary of the Steel and Masonry Construction company.

FLORENCE BENTLEY LAID IN GRAVE

Former Classmates Acted as Pall Bearers at the Funeral Held at Noon.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, May 27.—Six of her former class mates, dressed in their white high school graduation gowns, bore the body of twenty-year-old Florence Bentley to the hears in Downers Grove at noon today, while a coroner's jury was starting an investigation into the death of the pretty cloak model, whose bruised body was found in the woods Monday night.

The same jury will return a verdict in the death of Reginald Barr, young sweetheart of Miss Bentley, who threw himself under a train yesterday after leaving a note saying that the girl died in his arms while he was trying to kiss her.

Only the immediate family and a few friends attended the funeral services at the Bentley home. Young Barr will be buried tomorrow.

Groom's Children Present.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
MADISON, Wis., May 27.—The marriage of Mrs. Annie Main Kempton, niece of former Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, to William L. Roach of Muscatine, Iowa, was solemnized at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Willett S. Main, this afternoon. Only the immediate relatives attended the ceremony which was performed by Dr. Donald MacLaurin, pastor of the First Baptist church. Mr. and Mrs. Roach will go to Muscatine early in July after an eastern trip.

Among the out of town guests were the bride's sister, Mrs. Charles Spooner, of New York City; J. B. Chaplin and John, Edward and Robert Roach, sons of the groom, all of Muscatine.

Elam Jury Completed.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 27.—The twelve married men comprising the jury to decide the fate of Dr. Wm. T. Elam of St. Joseph for the killing last November of W. Putnam Cramer, Chicago traveling salesman, in the Baltimore hotel, were sworn in late yesterday afternoon. The unwritten law will probably play a prominent part in the case. Floyd Jacobs, prosecutor, will make the state's opening statement at 9 o'clock this morning.

WAS A HANDY LITTLE MAN ABOUT OTHER WOMAN'S HOUSE

Husband of Mme. Schumann Heink is Being Sued for Divorce.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, May 27.—William Rapp, Jr., husband of Mme. Schumann-Heink, opera singer, was a handy man to have around the house—around another woman's house—according to depositions filed by the madame in her suit for divorce today.

MAY HEAT HAS BEEN TOO FIERCE

Eastern Cities Are Complaining of the Unusual Temperature of the Present.

SCORE OF PROSTRATIONS

Nebraska Enjoys Cloudburst and Cools Are Full of Water While Others Swelter.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 27.—With five deaths at Canton, Ohio, directly attributed to heat and other cities in Ohio reporting a score of prostrations, there appeared to be little relief today from high temperatures of the past two days. Light rains early brought a temporary cooling effect but at noon the mercury was crawling higher and higher. Unprecedented temperatures for May were recorded yesterday here and in other cities. Caught unawares, ice companies cannot supply the demand. Steel mills in the cities are closed because of the weather.

Was 92 Yesterday.

CHICAGO, May 27.—Low humidity clouds and a cool breeze from off Lake Michigan drove the mercury down to 73 at 10 a. m. today and the government weather sharks said the temperature will not go much above 80 today. The highest mark of the year was recorded yesterday afternoon when the mercury reached 92.

No Relief in Sight.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The entire eastern section of the country is in the grip today of an abnormally early and severe heat from which no immediate relief is promised. The temperature rose above 90 in many eastern cities. New York, Baltimore and Charleston were among the hottest places. An unusually heavy fog covers the Atlantic coast, due to the extreme heat coming in contact with the cool waves.

Sweltering Today.

NEW YORK, May 27.—Once again today, New York sweltered and at 11 o'clock it was believed that yesterday's "hottest" May day since 1882 would be eclipsed before the close of the day. Tenement dwellers on the crowded east side swarmed to the streets and breathing spots. The temperature at 10 o'clock was 85 and mounting.

Two Died of Heat.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—With the thermometer at 91 degrees by 11 o'clock today, Forecaster Bliss believes the mercury will touch 95 by afternoon. Two died of heat yesterday.

Rain Fell in Torrents.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 27.—With the breaking of the drouth early today, the main streets of Lincoln were flooded by the heavy downpour and street car traffic was tied up for two hours. Basements of business buildings were filled with water and much damage done. The three inch rain fell in a little over an hour.

Today's rain covered a good sized area in eastern Nebraska and crops will be much improved.

Bishop Scadding is Dead.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
PORTLAND, Oregon, May 27.—The Rt. Rev. Chas. Scadding, Episcopal bishop of Oregon, died here today of pleuro-pneumonia after a short illness. Rev. Scadding was made bishop of Oregon about six years ago after serving as rector of Trinity church, Toledo, Ohio, and as rector and assistant pastor at several other churches.

FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE GO TO RECEPTION FOR PATMONT

Preacher Who Was Held Prisoner for Two Months is Hero of the Hour.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
DAUVILLE, Ill., May 27.—Nervous and apparently suffering from the strain of a public reception at Georgetown attended by 5,000 friends last night, the Rev. Louis R. Patmont, Mil-

waukee minister, was to go before the grand jury late this afternoon to clear up details of his story of abduction from here two months ago. Detectives who returned here today from Columbia, Ill., where Patmont was found Saturday, were elated over clues they claimed to have found. They are seeking to connect an automobile found near Madison, Illinois, with the one probably used to carry Patmont to Columbia.

A large fund of money collected at the reception last night was forwarded today to Mrs. Patmont at Newark, N. J., to bring her to her husband.