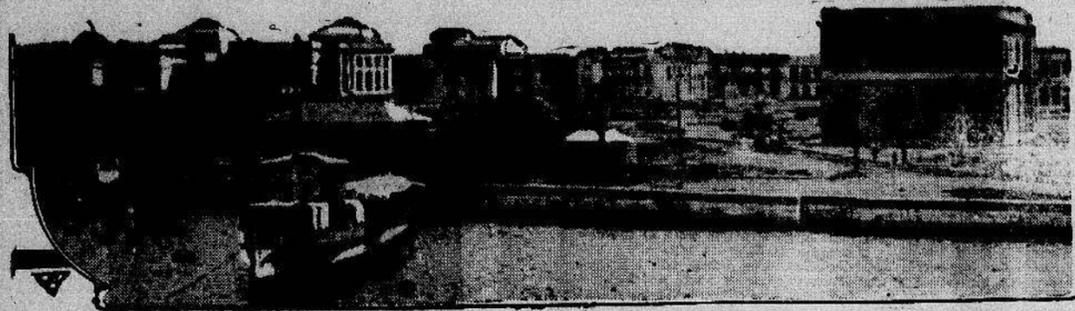


PEACE PEEPS TIMIDLY FORTH UPON MILITARY ACTIVITY
Envoys Receive Huerta's Assent and Wonder What They'll Do Next

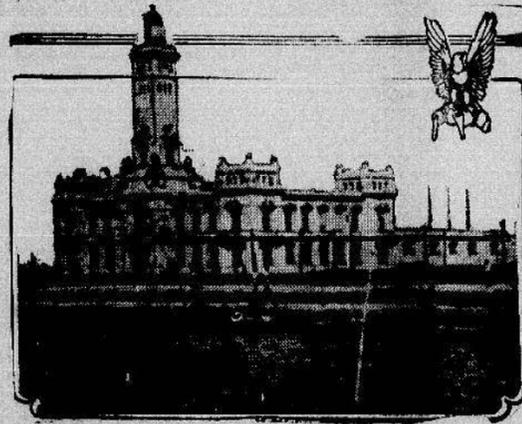


WATER FRONT AT VERA CRUZ AND VERA CRUZ CUSTOM HOUSE, OVER WHICH THE AMERICAN FLAG NOW FLOATS.

FLETCHER UNFURLS STARS AND STRIPES OVER ANCIENT CITY

Vera Cruz, April 27.—With all ceremony, the firing of a salute and dress parade, the American flag was raised today over the division headquarters of Rear Admiral Frank F. Fletcher. Over the custom house the flag has been flying since the landing of forces, but until now there had been no ceremony indicating the formal occupation of Vera Cruz.

The transports with Brigadier General Funston's command aboard were put off port this afternoon, but there has been no indication that the military forces will be sent ashore at this time. If the army lands, the blue-jackets now on duty here will go aboard their ships, but marines will be left for land service.



THRILLING HISTORY HAS BEEN ENACTED IN VERA CRUZ CITY

Here is the water front of the city of Vera Cruz, the scene of the first battle of the Mexican war. Here more blood may soon be spilled as General Massee contemplates an attack on the American forces in the city.

Vera Cruz is a historic town. It was here that the lord of Champollia presented eight virgins, richly dressed, to Cortez, that they might marry with his officers.

List of Casualties Grows With Reports of Details

Washington, April 27.—The navy department is arranging to bring to the United States the bodies of the Vera Cruz victims, and either forward them to relatives or make final interment in a national cemetery.



PRIVATE S. MARTIN, FIRST VICTIM OF THE WAR.

Tenseness Much Relieved By the Hope of Mediation

Washington, April 27.—The tenseness of the Mexican situation was distinctly relieved today as the representatives of Argentina, Brazil and Chile, supported by pressure from all Latin-America and from the foremost powers of Europe concentrated their efforts toward a pacific adjustment of the crisis.

ENGLAND PROTESTS TO HUERTA

London, April 28.—The correspondent of the Daily Express at Vera Cruz, telegraphing, Monday, says: "An important mission has been undertaken by Commander Tweedie of the British cruiser Essex. He bears an emphatic protest from Rear Admiral Cradock to President Huerta against the detention of British subjects in Mexico City and also dispatches to the foreign legations there, including an outline for the use of Sir Lionel Carden, the British minister, in his negotiations with Huerta of the American policy toward the proposed mediation."

Secretary Daniels tonight, "We are getting Americans out of Mexico. That is the important thing now." Consul Canada reported that formal raising of the American flag occurred at Vera Cruz at 4 o'clock today.

VILLA IN A HURRY TO SEE HIS CHIEF

El Paso, April 27.—The relations between General Carranza and General Villa suddenly became the one topic of conversation here today upon dissemination of information brought in by refugees and the sudden departure of Villa for Carranza's headquarters in Chihuahua.

OLD SAN JUAN ULLOA FORTRESS GIVES UP POLITICAL PRISONERS

Vera Cruz, April 27.—Seven political prisoners were released from the San Juan de Ulloa fortress today, where they had been confined by President Huerta without trial. Some of the men had been in the prison for nearly a year.

ENVOYS WONDERING WHAT THEY CAN DO

Washington, April 27.—Formal acceptance by the Huerta government of the offer of Argentina, Brazil and Chile to use their good offices to bring about an amicable settlement of the difficulty between the United States and Mexico was cabled to Spanish Ambassador Riano here tonight by Partillo y Rojas, foreign minister in the Huerta cabinet.

CUT OUT DOCTRINE OF MONROE NO DEMONSTRATIONS NECESSARY

Chicago, April 27.—Elimination of the Monroe doctrine from the United States foreign policy or its revision was urged by William J. Calhoun, former minister to China, at a peace meeting here today.

A FAT JOB

Peking, April 27.—William Rockhill, former United States ambassador to Turkey, has accepted an engagement from President Yuan Shi Kai as adviser for the Chinese government at a salary reported to amount to \$1,000 monthly.

Orders Prevalent in Vera Cruz

Order prevails in Vera Cruz. Brigadier General Funston and the army are expected to be in command of the situation tomorrow. Expeditionary forces of marines have been detached from the command of Admiral Fletcher and will return in a few days to the fleet with the marine guards.

Huerta Is the Stick

The attitude of the administration has been long established that the abrogation of Huerta was an essential to any final settlement of the situation.

Shots From the Firing Line

LATEST BULLETINS FROM THE FRONT, RECEIVED JUST BEFORE PRESS HOUR. Eagle Pass, Texas.—General Guadalupe, commanding the federal garrison that evacuated Piedras Negras, was wounded and his forces defeated last night by the rebels at Alamo. The federalists were expected to retreat to the American side of the Rio Grande. A detachment of constitutionalists arrived at Puentes, four miles from Piedras Negras, today.