

WILSON'S ULTIMATUM WHICH HUERTA DEFIED

Washington, April 19.—Following is a paraphrase of a telegram to Mr. O'Shaughnessy which contains the ultimatum to Huerta: "Say to General Huerta in reply to yours of April 17 that the President of the United States feels great disappointment at his failure to make prompt and willing reparation for insult which was offered American sailors at Tampico, the offence being still further aggravated by subsequent arrest of a mail carrier of the United States at Vera Cruz.

embassy is concerned, the matter is closed and that I should immediately inform my government that General Huerta had definitely refused the demands of the government of the United States. A translation of the note will be cabled later.

Stir Follows in Washington. One of the dramatic incidents preceding the announcement of Huerta's rejection of the ultimatum was the daredevil ride through the streets of Washington, in the high-powered White House automobile, of Secretary Bryan, Secretary Daniels and Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President.

As soon as the dispatch from Chargé O'Shaughnessy was deciphered at the State, War and Navy Building Secretary Daniels and Secretary Tumulty emerged from the telephone room. They were confronted by seventy-five newspaper correspondents, through whom they ploughed their way to the door, where the big White House automobile was waiting.

Reaching Calumet Place, where the Secretary of State was waiting, and between which and the President's hotel, at White Sulphur Springs, a telephone wire had been set up, Mr. Daniels and Mr. Tumulty fairly hurried themselves into the house, and within a few minutes the Secretary of State was in telephonic communication with the President.

As soon as Secretary Bryan had conveyed the import of Huerta's message President Wilson asked to speak to Secretary Tumulty. When the latter grasped the receiver President Wilson asked his secretary to arrange for the special Cabinet meeting at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, and to communicate to the leaders of the Senate and House a request for a joint session of those bodies to receive the President's message.

These instructions were quickly carried out when the party returned to the White House. When the White House automobile left the home of Secretary Bryan the Secretary of State climbed in, and there followed an equally wild ride back to the centre of the city. All speed regulations were broken, and the big car, with its siren constantly shrieking, sent pedestrians scattering.

Scores of Excited Citizens. More than a hundred newspapermen were congregated in the Executive offices at this hour, 10:45 p. m., and about the windows of the offices stood scores of excited citizens peering in. Secretary Bryan, Secretary Daniels and Secretary Tumulty hurried into an inner room, and there began the preparation of the formal statement, which, it was announced, would be given out within a short time.

No Action Before To-day. A Cabinet officer told the correspondent of The Tribune this afternoon that he did not expect that any action would be taken until the President returned from West Virginia to-morrow morning. Before taking decisive action, he said, the President would lay the case before Congress.

There is a possibility, however, that untoward events, particularly in Mexico City, where there are many Americans in danger, will make action necessary. Rear Admiral Fletcher, now aboard the battleship Florida at Vera Cruz, has instructions authorizing him to send a flying detachment of marines to Mexico City in the event of trouble at that centre. He has nearly a thousand marines at Vera Cruz, and these will do the rescue work.

It is becoming more and more certain that some of the ships of the Atlantic fleet now off Key West will be ordered to proceed to Vera Cruz instead of to Tampico.

There was activity to-day in the War Department, where officials continued to make arrangements for chartering a score or more merchantmen for use as transports. Plans are also complete for sending more troops to the border. It is stated in one quarter that the blockade which the President has in mind, and which will be of a "belligerent" rather than a "peaceful" character, will also include a blockade of the Mexican border. Otherwise foreign governments would have the right to object. They might take the ground that the United States cuts off their trade with Mexican sea ports, but does nothing of the sort with regard to American trade across the border.

Bryan Still Optimistic. The Secretary of State spent a hectic day. He was angry over certain press reports, but above his anger his usual spirit of optimism remained dominant. He declared that the situation was "encouraging, but not final." No one else in Washington seemed to share the view. After Mr. Bryan's exchange of telegrams with the American Embassy in Mexico City the Navy Department showed the greatest activity, ordering out the Mississippi and the marines at Pensacola.

Responding to urgent messages from Washington, Mr. Daniels, the Secretary of the Navy, returned to the capital from Cleveland this afternoon. He had intended coming back to-night. Upon his arrival he called Mr. Bryan on the telephone and learned first hand all the developments of the situation. He had

his personal opinion that the President would not accede to this demand. He told Mr. O'Shaughnessy to say to Huerta that the President's message of yesterday meant precisely what it said—that Huerta must either refuse or consent by 6 o'clock this evening to meet the requirements of the President of the United States.

Then Mr. Bryan called the President on the telephone. He told him what Mr. O'Shaughnessy had reported and the reply that had been sent. The President said that Mr. Bryan's telegram to Mr. O'Shaughnessy was precisely correct, that under no circumstance would there be the slightest recession in the American demands. Huerta must fire the salute or take the consequences.

Conferences with his aids and talked with Admiral Dewey, head of the general board, the organization which decides upon matters of naval policy. Huerta has dropped his demand for a simultaneous salute, the unheard of thing which he proposed should be adopted. But he clung to his original suggestion of a formal agreement, news of which was given exclusively in The Tribune yesterday in the following summary of his proposal: "That the United States formally agree to return the Mexican salute. This, too, was turned down by the administration. Washington made no secret of its intention to respond to Huerta's salute, but it would not make an agreement in the matter. Huerta's scheme was obvious. He wanted to establish, for use in Mexico, that he had demanded and obtained a salute from the United States. He would doubtless call this recognition."

Recognition Out of Question. This was precisely the case, and it caused the administration, in sending its last "final message," which was practically the fourth of the communications of the sort, definitely to state to Huerta that nothing that was to be done would be considered by the United States as recognition of any sort. Not counting those who may have slipped out during the last two or three days, there are about a thousand Americans in Mexico City, including a number of women and children. Most of them, however, are men. They have a definite scheme of action in the event of an anti-American outbreak in Mexico City. Certain zones have been established, and Americans residing therein are to proceed with all dispatch to certain centres, there to mobilize, arm themselves with rifles and ammunition that have been hidden away and fight for their lives if necessary.

In the American Embassy at Mexico City there are 250 rifles and two machine guns. There are also men in Mexico City familiar with the operation of the automatics, while practically all of the American men who have ventured to linger in the danger zone know how to use the old American army Krag-Jorgensen rifles.

The British, French, German and Japanese legations also have arms and ammunition on hand, as well as a handful of sailors or marines to assist in their protection. Official information was received here to-night that the German government has chartered two merchant ships to take refugees at Vera Cruz.

Ship for American Refugees. The American steamer Esperanza, which has been chartered by the Navy Department, will soon be ordered to Vera Cruz, there to embark American refugees from Mexico City. From Mexico City to Vera Cruz, or from Vera Cruz to Mexico City, which may become the more important order of things before forty-eight hours have passed, it is 255 miles by the Mexican Railway, which is the best line, but it requires twelve full hours to get there according to the fastest and normal passenger schedule. The first half of the journey is up the mountains to the Plateau, which begins at Esperanza, which is 7,200 feet above Vera Cruz. The line is simply a succession of great bridges, tunnels and hazardous stretches on the sides of the mountains. There are half a hundred points where a single stick of dynamite might injure the line beyond repair.

As far as possible the American marines have already taken precautions against the line being interrupted. Their first step will be to seize this important line of communication between the sea and Mexico City. The other railway line to Mexico City is the Inter-oceanic, a narrow gauge road. From Vera Cruz to the capital over this line it is 255 miles. The American intelligence officers have given this line also important consideration and study, and if necessary it will be utilized.

Aviation Equipment, Too. The Secretary of the Navy issued the following statement at 5 o'clock: "The Mississippi has been ordered to embark 500 marines now at Pensacola and all the aviation equipment, in addition to the two hydro-aeroplanes being placed on board the Birmingham and Dixie. The Mississippi will be sent to Mexico when ready for sea."

It became clearer than ever during the early hours of the day that the situation was one of paramount seriousness. At 4 o'clock this morning came a message from O'Shaughnessy. It indicated clearly that Huerta was still inclined to quibble and that he was making a strenuous effort to save his face.

Then speculation turned to whether Huerta would hold out to the last—defy the President of the United States to the end, even though it cost him a war and genuine elimination. Opinion was about evenly divided. Some believed that Huerta, finding that bluff-

ing did not work, would yield at the final moment. More enlightened opinion held to the view that the dictator, realizing that the time for his fall had come, would prefer to play the part of martyr. Rumors of the growing strength of the Zapatista movement in the State of Morelos gave basis for this belief. Fragmentary reports indicate that the grip of the armed fist of the dictator upon his own people is weakening. The strain of interior pressure is beginning to tell.

For this reason the announcement, that he was about to make a last coup and take his exit in the turmoil of war would not have been surprising.

as did Mr. Taft, and he said: "You come at a serious time. I can remember the days of '61, and that, too, was a most serious crisis. I know nothing of the probability of war, but I hope that you will ever regard your patriotism not alone to be talked about, something to be expressed in emotion, but as something which means great suffering to any. Whether war is inevitable I know not."

Anson Phelps Stokes was retiring when the parade reached his home opposite the New Haven green, and he appeared standing on his balcony in trousers, slippers and a sweater. "I hope and trust," he said, "that President Wilson and his Cabinet will avoid armed conflict, and I hope they will do everything that is best and right for us and nothing that is wrong for any nation. If we must have war may it be speedy and for the best interests of Mexico as well as ourselves. However, I hope there will be no war."

Professor William Lyon Phelps was called to his doorstep and he delivered a philippic against war.

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Continued from page 1 significance of the event was made clear there were more revolver and rifle shots. Some one blew a bugle call, and a bass drum appeared like magic from White dormitory.

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"The President," said the official, "stated that he was ordering an investigation by competent authority to determine what responsibility Colonel Hinojosa might have if he had gone beyond bounds, and declared that if he had committed any excess he should be severely punished."

"The attention of the American government was drawn to the fact that the marines had violated our military laws by landing without permission in uniform in a city where military operations were in progress and during a fight. On this account Colonel Hinojosa had considered himself warranted in arresting them."

"The American government did not accept this as satisfactory, but indorsed the ultimatum of Rear Admiral Mayo and insisted on a salute to the flag. "Under date of the 12th instant the American Chargé d'Affaires in Mexico was informed that it was impossible to accede to the demands of Admiral Mayo, because international law did not require them in a case of this nature, in which the American marines exposed themselves to arrest through violating our military laws, and that it was impossible to carry courtesy to such a point without detriment to national dignity and self-respect."

"Later the Minister of Foreign Relations had a series of conferences with the Chargé d'Affaires of the United States in Mexico, which led to a proposition on the part of the American government that the incident might be arranged by reciprocal salutes, so that the Mexican flag as well as that of the United States could be saluted at Tampico. President Huerta accepted this plan, but on condition that the salutes be simultaneous, to which the American government made objections."

"The government of Mexico, desiring to preserve harmony between the two nations and convinced that by reciprocal salutes the incident would be honorably adjusted, accepted the American proposition provided a diplomatic protocol were signed embodying this arrangement. Unfortunately, the American government has not accepted the signing of a protocol and wants its proposition accepted unconditionally."

"This, naturally, has not been accepted by the Mexican government, and our chargé at Washington was instructed by wire to that effect."

WOOD MAY GO TO BORDER Report Follows Talk of Garrison with Chief of Staff.

Washington, April 19.—Secretary Garrison had a long talk to-night over the telephone with General Wood, Chief of Staff of the army. It is generally believed here that General Wood will go to the border to take command of the forces there. Secretary Garrison said, however,

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that he had not "ordered anybody to the border yet." General Wood is the highest ranking officer on the active list of the army. His detail as Chief of Staff expires Wednesday, and he has been assigned to command the Department of the East. It has been known, however, that he would not assume his new duties for some time, and unofficial reports had said he would go to Mexico.

AMERICANS LEAVING CAPITAL FOR VERA CRUZ

Consul Canada Gets Instructions from Bryan for Care of Refugees. [By Cable to The Tribune.] Vera Cruz, Mexico, April 19.—Both Consul Canada and Rear Admiral Fletcher are very reserved as to prospective eventualities at Tampico.

Rear Admiral Craddock arrived on the British cruiser Essex to-day and held a long talk with Rear Admiral Fletcher. He is awaiting the arrival of Sir Lionel Long and is expected to remain here until the arrival of the British cruiser Essex to-day and held a long talk with Rear Admiral Fletcher.

Canadian Line to Philippines. Montreal, April 19.—Considerable interest was created to-day in shipping circles, by an announcement that the Canadian Pacific will enter the Philippine service June 1, when the steamship Empress of Russia will make Manila a port of call. The steamship company expects to cut the time of the trip from twenty-eight days to seventeen days.