

MURDER, RIOTS, AND PILLAGE IN MEXICAN CAPITAL

Officials Plan New Note as News of Bloodshed Is Confirmed.

OBREGON HAS DESERTED Foreign Governments Expected to Demand Protection for Their Subjects.

REPLY IS NOT SATISFACTORY Carranza's Note, Denying All Charges, Regarded Little Short of Offensive.

Mexico City, March 11.—Gen. Alvaro Obregon has left the city.

The foregoing message, received by a news agency yesterday afternoon, was direct confirmation of the evacuation of Mexico City by the Carranzistas.

Having received an official report that four Spaniards have been killed in Mexico City, in addition to the case of the Swede reported Wednesday, reports that looting has been going on for ten days, and having before the text of the Carranza note which does not in the least satisfy President Wilson's demands, high officials of the administration yesterday pronounced the Mexican situation as "encouraging."

Carranza's reply to the American note generally admitted yesterday to be wholly unsatisfactory. His action in addressing it to the President instead of to Mr. Silliman or to the Secretary of State was regarded as peculiar, to say the least, while his statement that the language of the American note was such as to justify him in not deigning to reply to it was viewed as little short of being positively offensive.

Carranza Makes Denial. The Carranza note asserted that conditions in Mexico City, for which it was declared, the United States would hold Carranza and Obregon personally responsible in the event of injury to Americans have become "intolerable" and "cannot longer be endured."

Though the Washington administration may accept compliments Carranza's suggestion of a general exodus as a solution of the problem, it is definitely known that the European governments, interested in Mexico will entertain no such view. Their position is, and has been, that they will not invite their nationals to get out of Mexico, that they are in Mexico in the exercise of legitimate rights and they demand for them, therefore, protection in those rights.

Blames Huerta's Friends. The Carranza agency here yesterday gave out a statement from Carranza, which includes much of the matter contained in his note to the United States. He reiterates the charge that friends of Huerta, particularly the international relief committee at Mexico City, are spreading false reports of conditions in the capital.

Macfarland to Preside. Henry B. Macfarland, chairman of the executive committee of the Committee of One Hundred, will preside at the conference. The Federation of Citizens' Associations will be represented by Edward F. Colladay, William E. Fowler, D. A. Edwards, William McK. Clayton, and J. G. McGrath.

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ARMOR OF FACTS FOR ORGANIC ACT

Defense Plans for Half-and-Half System to Be Laid This Afternoon.

COMMITTEES TO CONFER Delegates Nearly Unanimous in Favor of Continuing Present Plan.

The first steps toward the preparation of an irrefragable argument in defense of the half-and-half financial system for presentation before the joint Congressional investigating committee appointed to look into the fiscal relations between the District and Federal governments will be taken at 2 o'clock this afternoon at a conference of representative citizens in the University Club.

In Favor of Organic Act. While the call states the representatives are to formulate plans for the presentation of general fiscal data, it is understood this data will be designed to prove the justice of the present system and the utter absurdity of abrogating the organic act.

Should any marked opposition to the half-and-half plan develop at this meeting, it is likely the opponents will draw and unite with those citizens who believe the organic act should be abrogated and absolute local suffrage substituted.

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FOURTH WOMAN ACCUSES MAYO

New Haven Stenographer Declares Millionaire Is Father of Her Child.

TO INVOKE "SLAVE" LAW Lillian Cook's Father to Confer with District Attorney in Effort to Probe Girl's Death.

New Haven, March 11.—Miss Susie M. Walters, formerly a stenographer employed by Virginia J. Mayo here, today came forward charging that Mayo is the father of her child. She is the mother of a two-year-old baby.

In a statement said to have been made by Miss Walters she says she went to work for Mayo in 1909, and that he was extremely kind to her.

Hires Lawyer to Prove Wedding. Syracuse, N. Y., March 11.—Mrs. Florence Weeks Mayo, of this city, who claims to be the wife of Virginia J. Mayo, New Haven, Conn., manufacturer, whose marital affairs were revealed through the suicide of his stenographer, said today her attorney would take every legal step necessary to prove she was married to Mayo May 14, 1909, at Hinchamton, N. Y.

To Invoke "Slave" Law. New York, March 11.—Frank Cook, father of Lillian May Cook, the stenographer of Virginia J. Mayo who killed herself at New Haven, today declared he would confer tomorrow with Assistant Federal District Attorney Reid, of Brooklyn, to see if the government has authority under the Mann white slave act to investigate events leading up to his daughter's death.

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CONVICTION NOW THAW'S HOPE TO WIN WAY FREE

Novel Situation Arises When Judge Rules Out Sanity Claim.

TAKES BLAME FOR ESCAPE Noted Prisoner, on Stand, Seeks to Clear Alleged Co-conspirators.

ONE OF THEM IS DISCHARGED Four Others Locked Up in Tombs on State's Plea—Admits He Paid \$6,000.

Special to The Washington Herald. New York, March 11.—The story of his escape from Mattawan, of the plot leading thereto and the subsequent flight to Canada was told by Harry K. Thaw today before Justice Page in the criminal branch of Supreme Court.

He denied that there was a conspiracy. He assumed all credit for the plan and the successful engineering thereof. He admitted paying Richard Butler, "Big Dick," as much as \$5,000 out of which sum Butler was to reward the others and give Richard, alias "Educated Roger," Thompson, the chauffeur, "a present" of \$1,000, in addition to the \$10 or \$15 daily wage agreed to.

Although Thaw strove valiantly to shoulder the entire responsibility for the escape, his testimony was of such a sinister character that Franklin Kennedy, deputy attorney general, demanded at the close of the day that Butler, Eugene Duffy, Thomas Flood, and Thompson be locked up in the Tombs, over night instead of being permitted to enjoy their bonded liberty. Justice Page so ordered.

O'Keefe Is Liberated. Following the usual plea of counsel for the defense—and the pleas were as varied and as strong as the associated lawyers are numerically—Justice Page created no little surprise by discharging Michael O'Keefe, the fifth of the alleged co-conspirators.

As indicated by Mr. Stanfield in his cross-examination, he sought today in his defense to introduce testimony showing that Thaw was sane at the time of his escape, realized that he was sane, and that, as a sane person, was justified in leaving Mattawan.

The ruling came during the cross-examination by Mr. Stanfield of Bernard H. Kelsey, deputy sheriff of Colebrook, N. H. Mr. Stanfield asked Kelsey whether during his conversations with Thaw the latter did not appear to be entirely rational. Deputy Attorney General Cook raised objection, and the crucial battle was participated. Justice Page sustained the objection.

"If you make this ruling on the ground that it is not proper cross-examination," declared Mr. Stanfield, "I accept. But if you rule that the question is not relevant, we wish to be heard."

"Thaw Cannot Sit as Judge." The jury was excused from the room, and Mr. Stanfield and Morgan J. O'Brien, his assistant, set forth their contentions that Thaw is sane and was sane on August 11, 1911, and that because he realized that he was sane they declared that Thaw took French leave of the institution.

"It was not a crime, under the statutes of New York State, to escape," declared Mr. Stanfield. "The escape was unlawful, but not criminal."

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SECRETARY M'ADOO UNDER KNIFE TODAY

Doctors Say Strong Physique Makes Successful Operation Probable.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo will go under the knife at Providence Hospital this morning at 10 o'clock. He was taken to the hospital yesterday morning suffering from appendicitis. The attending physicians, Drs. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., physician to the President, and A. M. Fauntleroy, will perform the operation. They said last night Mr. McAdoo's condition is good, and at the hospital it was said at an early hour this morning he had rested in comparative comfort. No complications are expected. Mr. McAdoo was at his desk yesterday morning before he was taken to the hospital. The physicians expect he will be away from his office only about a month, the usual period of convalescence. The symptoms of the disorder have been apparent for several days in a mild form. During the rush of Congress it was decided that it would be safe to put off the operation. The trouble became more pronounced Wednesday night after dinner, but yesterday noon Mr. McAdoo was feeling so well that he declined to have an ambulance called and made the trip with Mrs. McAdoo and the two physicians in his automobile.

Teeth Gnash in Dopeless Reign. Supplies of Addicts Shrink, They Are Tortured Day and Night.

HOSPITALS RESCUE MANY Larger Stores of Drug Said to Be Kept in Reserve Here Than in Other Cities.

Eleven days have passed since the Federal government declared the manufacture and use of habit-forming drugs must stop. They have been eleven cheerless days and sleepless nights for the users of "dope." Looking over their dimming board of "coke," heroin, or morphine, with which they had fortified themselves just before the midnight hour of February 28, when the ban was established, they experienced woes that not even the "dope" itself could remove.

"Snow parties" will be a thing of the past. Daring dispensers of the drugs would dare no longer to defy the law and its penalties. Revelations by The Washington Herald threw fear into the hearts of the violators, even before the Federal law went into effect.

Says Crash is Coming. "The crash is bound to come," declared one hospital physician. "We had expected the breakdown before this, but, of course, they may have laid away large supplies."

Habitual users, but unless they have twenty or thirty grains of the drug each day, succumb in a drugless twenty-four hours. Some try to pull through two days and nights, hoping for relief from a "stal," but at the end of that time their strength is gone and they voluntarily place themselves in the hands of the police or go to the hospitals.

Emergency Hospital, nearest to the business section of the city, has handled two and three patients a day this week. Washington Asylum Hospital, where users of drugs are sent from Emergency and Casualty hospitals, is being taxed to the capacity by the enforcing of the law.

SCOTT FAILS TO TAME RENEGADE INDIAN BAND. Eight Deputies Missing—It Is Feared They Have Been Ambushed and Killed.

Bluff, Utah, March 11.—The party of eight deputies believed to have been ambushed by the rebellious Piute Indians near Douglas Mesa have not yet been heard from. Marshal Nebeker has sent out parties to look for them.

Poland's Plight Worst in History. "The tragic history that has been the fate of Poland has reached its climax. Her fate is so terrible as to beggar description."

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KAISER DEPOSES THREE GENERALS BLAMED FOR ROUT

German Newspapers Not Allowed to Publish Details of Defeat on Niemen.

BRITISH SWEEP FORWARD Gain Almost a Mile in Flanders—Germans Deny French Claims.

RUSSIAN FORCE ANNIHILATED Effort to Pierce Teuton Front at Augustow Ends in Utter Failure.

The Hague, March 11.—The Kaiser has deposed three, von Kluge, von Gronow, and von Huhn. He holds them responsible for the recent rout of the German forces along the Niemen.

German papers have not been allowed to publish any details of the defeat. One paper which gave a slight indication of the event was suspended for a fortnight.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. London, March 11.—Material advances for the British forces and the destruction of the Courtrai-Menin Railway Junction in West Flanders is announced in an official statement from the war office. The statement follows:

"The Fourth and Indian troops, operating over a front 1,400 yards long, gained three-quarters of a mile on Wednesday, taking all the German trenches and occupying positions formerly held by the Germans. Seven hundred prisoners were taken."

"A British aviator destroyed the Courtrai-Menin Railway Junction." An official communique issued in Paris states that British troops in the La Bassée region have captured nearly a mile and a half of German trenches near Neuve Chapelle, taken that town and advanced more than a mile beyond it.

Germans Deny French Claims. This claim is flatly denied in an official report from the German general staff issued in Berlin. The German report also contradicts emphatically the Russian claims that the Russian troops have succeeded in breaking through the German lines at Augustow, Poland.

The official report states that fighting for the town of Neuve Chapelle continues, while the Russian attack south of Augustow resulted in annihilation of the troops of Grand Duke Nicholas operating there.

An English aviator threw bombs upon Menin yesterday. Only one of these was successful, and this killed seven Belgians and wounded ten.

English troops yesterday attacked the German positions near Neuve Chapelle. They entered the village in some places. The engagement continues. An English aviator near Ghent yesterday was repulsed.

Russian Force Wiped Out. In Champagne, two French attacks against a corner of the forest east of Souain, which the French lost day before yesterday, were both repulsed. The enemy's losses were heavy.

Fighting for Reichenker Kopf in the Vosges was renewed yesterday. In the eastern theater of war, 600 Russians were captured west of Serwetz on the Nieman River. Three guns and two machine guns were taken by our troops.

A new Russian attempt to break through the German lines south of Augustow has ended with the annihilation of the Russian troops used there.

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Neutrals In Peril When Eitel Sails, Is Warning to U. S.

Serious International Complication Threatens If Ship, with Representatives of Several Nations on Board, Is Subjected to English Cannonade—Several Prisoners Refuse to Sign Peace Pledge—American Government Rushes Investigation of Circumstances Attending Sinking of Merchant Ship William P. Frye—Strong Pressure Will Be Brought to Bear Upon Germany to Obtain Satisfaction—Intention to Regard Raider as Pirate Abandoned.

WILSON SHOWS SITUATION IS REGARDED AS SERIOUS; PROMPT INVESTIGATION IS ORDERED

With the neutrality problems raised by the presence of the German sea raider Prinz Eitel Friedrich in an American port rapidly being solved in accordance with the well established rules in such cases, the chief interest of Washington centered yesterday on the issue between the American and German governments caused by the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye, laden with wheat consigned "to order" at Queenstown.

A new factor entered into the situation yesterday when the British Ambassador, speaking informally with officials of the State and Navy departments, indicated an urgent desire on the part of the British government that all neutrals on board the Prinz Eitel Friedrich be taken off before the vessel is permitted to take the high seas again. The British anxiety arises from the fact that they are assembling cruisers to destroy the German raider if she ventures outside American waters, and do not wish to be the means of causing the death of the neutrals now on board of her.

The attention of the ambassador was called to the fact that unofficial reports from Newport News showed that the commander of the German cruiser had been authorized by the collector of the port to land all his alien passengers, subject to the immigration regulations of the United States, and instructed to put ashore all Americans on his ship.

Refuse to Sign Pledge. It is understood that the German commander is most anxious to get rid of his passengers. It was pointed out yesterday, however, that reports from Newport News have indicated that some of his passengers of belligerent nationality have refused to sign a pledge promising not to take up arms against Germany.

The Hague conventions give the German captors the right to hold as prisoners of war officers and seamen of the enemy merchant vessels which have sunk if they refuse to sign such a pledge. He is also authorized to hold as prisoners of war officers and crews of neutral nationality unless they sign such an agreement, but in the present case there is no report that any neutral merchantmen officers or seamen have so refused.

The importance which the administration attaches to the questions was emphasized yesterday by the fact that President Wilson took occasion to issue a statement in the case. His statement made it clear that the effort of the government at present is to obtain all the facts in the case, and that attitude was reflected in every official quarter having any connection with the matter.

The statement authorized by the President was as follows: "The President, when asked regarding the sinking of the American sailing ship William P. Frye by the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, said: 'A most serious inquiry is being made, and whatever action is taken will be based upon the result of that inquiry.'"

Relies on Officials. At present, the State Department is relying upon the officials of the Treasury at Newport News for the facts in regard to the sinking of the Frye. It is expected, however, that the captain of the Frye, and possibly others associated with the vessel, will be brought to Washington for conference with officials. Within a few days, it is believed, all the evidence obtainable will be in the hands of the Treasury and State departments, and soon thereafter a note embodying the views of the United States will be dispatched to the German government.

The case of the United States is regarded as resting entirely upon the fact that the cargo of the Frye was not properly subject to treatment as contraband of war. No evidence has yet come to the attention of officials here bearing out the claim of the Germans that the wheat was destined for the use of the British government or armed forces.

The United States will not accept the German contention that consent "to order" at Queenstown is presumptive evidence of consent to the British forces. It has already taken issue with the British government on this very question, having refused to acquiesce in seizures of American cargoes by the British because of their being consigned "to order." Until the German produce acceptable evidence in support of the claim that the wheat on the Frye was contraband of war, the United States will stand on the ground assumed in controversy.

How Germany Was Warned Not to Sink U. S. Ships. The United States note to Germany, dated February 16, in regard to safety of United States ships in the war zone, said in part:

If the commanders of German vessels of war should act upon the presumption that the flag of the United States was not being used in good faith and should destroy on the high seas an American vessel or the lives of American citizens, it would be difficult for the government of the United States to view the act in any other light than as an indefensible violation of neutral rights.

The government of the United States would be constrained to hold the imperial government of Germany to a strict accountability, and to take any steps it might be necessary to safeguard American lives and property and to secure to American citizens the full enjoyment of their acknowledged rights on the high seas.

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