

REVOLT IN MEXICO IS BELIEVED TO BE NEAR CRITICAL POINT

Villista Troops Claim Decisive Victory Over the Obregon Forces in Celaya Vicinity.

RIOTING THREATENS CAPITAL

Carranza Said to Be Planning to Make Puebla His Government Seat.

Out of a maze of conflicting reports regarding conditions in Mexico, the belief is forced on American officials that the Villa-Carranza revolution is rapidly approaching a critical stage from which decisive results may be expected.

Dispatches today to the Villa agency assert that the Villista troops have scored a decisive victory over Obregon's forces in the vicinity of Celaya, recouping losses sustained in recent defeat there.

Advices received by the Carranzista agency make no mention of fighting at Celaya, but report that Monterey has been captured by Carranza troops, and that two Villista generals have been captured and shot.

Promise Aid To Capital.

Both factions declare that they will hasten to the relief of the famine sufferers in Mexico City, where mobs have stormed the chamber of deputies, and a reign of terror is impending.

The Villista officials declare that railroad communications between Mexico City and the north will be opened up by way of Celaya and Toluca, permitting the shipping in of provisions.

The Carranzista officials in Washington have heard unofficial reports that Carranza plans to move his capital from Vera Cruz to Puebla, establishing a permanent capital at the latter place, and at the same time recapturing Mexico City.

Claim Carranzista Rout.

Carranza's idea in this, it is said, is to pattern after the plan of the United States in establishing its capital in a Federal district, leaving Mexico City to bear the same relation to the Mexican capital that New York city bears to Washington.

Dispatches to Washington today relating to military movements are the most important received from Mexico for a week.

The Villa agency this morning received the following dispatch from M. Diaz Lombardo, in charge of the department of foreign relations at Chihuahua:

"Telegraph reports from the front say that an engagement was fought yesterday between the forces of General Villa and those of General Obregon at points between Silao and Leon, resulting in the complete rout of the Carranzistas. Part of our forces occupied the enemy's camp at Silao, while the remainder engaged in the pursuit of the fleeing enemy beyond Celaya, which place we also hold. The pursuit continued. A great amount of war material was captured, including rifles, ammunition, and artillery, as well as nearly all of the Carranzista's train. Many dead were left on the field by the enemy.

"General Villa will shortly issue a general amnesty for Carranzistas who desire to surrender, and likewise for all political offenders whose delinquencies are not considered serious."

The Carranzista general issued a dispatch from Laredo, Texas, stating that Gen. Vicente Davilla had captured Generals Pereyra and Carrera Torres at Paredon, together with their families. The two generals were shot and 2,000 Villistas were killed, wounded and captured. The capture of Durango, capital of the same state, and the Carranzistas was reported in an El Paso dispatch.

POISON MAILED TO WOMAN TEACHER

Michigan Town Stirred by Act Following School Board Fight—Postal Officials to Investigate.

MARQUETTE, Mich., May 23.—A weird "poison plot" tale, such as the Borgias might have conceived, with a pretty Tilden township school teacher as the victim, is alleged by her friends to be the sequel to a school board fight which recently resulted in the retirement of the superintendent.

Friday afternoon the pupil who brought the mail from the Tilden postoffice handed Miss Charlotte Russell, the teacher, what was apparently a letter. She opened it and found two pieces of cardboard between which lay a piece of cotton batting, which was stained yellow and gave forth a strange, but not unpleasant, odor.

Immediately, however, the school teacher gasped and collapsed. She became unconscious before other teachers could reach her, and remained in that condition for two hours, although two physicians attended her. She is still confined to her bed.

The sender of the letter successfully defied any attempt to trace the letter by hand or by printing of the address, for it was made by clipping the letters of her name and address from printed matter.

The school board announced that it would place the matter in the hands of the postal authorities.

Physicians who examined the piece of cotton batting say they are not able to determine the drug it may have been saturated with.

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SOCIETY BASEBALL PLAYERS ARE SORE

Defeat of Chevychase by the Racquet Club Leaves Telling Stiffness in Joints.

CAPTAIN SMITH, of Philadelphia.

An exclamatory symphony of "ohs!" denoting pain, went up at the Chevychase Club today, when the first movements of the society men who played ball at National park for the benefit of the free wards of Providence Hospital were made.

Despite the remark that some wits are making to the effect that the members of the Chevychase-Metropolitan Club team, which was pitted against the Racquet Club team of Philadelphia as baseball players are the finest dancing men in the town, the game in question was a real, specimen of baseball.

That's how one of the season's buds who witnessed the affair from the start to the time that old Jupiter Pivy put a cramp in the game described the exhibition.

The Philadelphia succeeded in beating the local clubmen, 7 to 3, a downpour of rain, calling a halt to the affair after six innings.

Of course there was some comedy. Not to be too harsh, it was a veritable comedy of errors. Lieut. George Easterday was voted the honor of being the most sporty pitcher any of the ball ground players had ever seen.

Easterday was a star. He pitched, however, and held the Quaker City outfit within four runs of his team. Of course the figures were four, but only four in advance of the Washington outfit's score.

"You just couldn't outline how the ball affair went," said Mrs. Blanka chairman who was watching the game. He practically summed it up, as everybody else present with the exception of the players themselves. It was a serious matter with some of the latter, however, as the game was a real one.

"Of course you know it was a ball game, but not the kind one gets accustomed to seeing on the lot," the automobile driver continued. "Every one of us, even we on the vehicles who know how the big leaguers play were heavily annoyed when the rain started. We wuz all interested in the comedy. You can see bet your blomm'n' boots that the party, that's what it was, a party, where every body had a lot of fun—that it was well worth the eight pence or so it costed us."

"Ted" Coy, of Yale; Courtwright Church, of Yale; "Danny" Hutchinson, of Pennsylvania, and others of the old college stars who played, showed flashes of old-time form. Myron Park, jr., Ballard Moore, Ashmead Fuller, Mandeville Carlisle, J. Henri de Sibur, Drs. A. E. Garnett and Blair Spencer, and Nelson Peirce, demonstrated that tennis helps to keep the joints free and pliable, doing remarkable well at the new sport.

Rain Catches Crowd. Society turned out in large numbers for the game. Many of those who attended in costly frocks were made prisoners in the stands by the rain and waited until near dark before they would take chances of running their gowns by essaying the journey home, under the capricious clouds hung overhead.

Carroll Wilcox, Allan Smith, Frank Faul, Frank Harris, Lieut. Randolph Cooke, Bayard Dickinson, H. Fuller, and the other members of the Racquet Club aggregation were entertained at a dinner at the Chevychase Club following the game. After the dinner the players participated in dancing in the clubhouse.

Golf and tennis matches between the Philadelphia clubmen and the Chevychase stars are on the card for today, with golf contests starting immediately after breakfast on the club links.

Those In Boxes. Among those who occupied boxes at yesterday's game were Chief Justice and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. George Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leiter, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Hill, Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Blair, Mr. and Mrs.



CAPTAIN SMITH, of Philadelphia.

Chevychase Club—Top row, EAST-ERDAY, ORMSBY, McCAMMON (Umpire), PERIN, MEREDITH, TENNENT; second row, CHURCH, NOYES, PARKER, SPENCER; third row, COY, CARLISLE, MOORE, FULLER.

Capital Man and Woman Beneficiaries in Will

Lieutenant Commander Edward E. Spafford, U. S. N., and Lucille Rhinelanders Stevens Spafford, husband and daughter of the late Mrs. Lucille Millan Stevens Spafford, of this city, who died February 19, 1914, are the beneficiaries in the will of Mrs. Spafford, according to an appraisal filed in New York city.

Mrs. Spafford left assets in New York of \$42,531, having a net value of \$46,698. The appraisal does not disclose the entire estate, but says there are stocks and bonds in other States valued at \$50,485. Lieutenant Spafford was left an annuity of \$15,000 for life, and to the daughter was bequeathed the entire residuary estate and the principal of each trust at its termination.

Capital Racing Pigeons On Flight From Vernon

Racing pigeons of the Washington Racing Pigeon Club were liberated today and started on a 300-mile flight from Vernon, Ohio. Two hundred pigeons, the property of members of the Washington club, are participating in the flight, which is expected to be completed in seven hours.

Five thousand homing pigeons of Washington were liberated Tuesday at 8 a. m. from Ophemus Park and they reached their destinations at Brecklyn, N. Y., and Paterson, and Newark, N. J., at 1:15 p. m., according to information received by W. F. Dismar, president of the Washington club.

Washington Young Man Honored at Ann Arbor

Joseph R. Darnell, a Washington high school graduate, has been honored by fellow-students at the University of Michigan. Dr. Darnell has been nominated for vice president of the men's general campus organization. The election will take place next Thursday.

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Third Week of Our May Undermuslin Sale.

The addition of many newly acquired lots, combined with the mark-down of all odd lots and discontinued models, should establish new selling records. Surely these values present it. Odd Lots and Discontinued Models. Included are Night Gowns, Combinations, Petticoats, Pinafores, Slips, Corset Covers, made of African brown, pink, gold, garnet, cardinal, lavender, tobacco, copper, Delaware, peach, pearl, emerald, Burgundy, Myrtle, Atlantic, white, cream, ivory, black and the following shades of blue: Baby Blue, Copenhagen, Belgian, Kings, Rocky Mountain, turquoise, navy and midnight. Remember, these are the regular \$2 quality. Tomorrow a yard \$1.19. \$1 and \$1.25 Values at 69c. \$2 and \$2.25 Values at \$1.50. \$1.50 and \$1.75 Values at \$1. \$3 Values at \$1.95. Envelope Chemises and Combinations. New lots of fine materials, daintily trimmed with pretty laces; exceptional values at \$1.00. Night Gowns, 75c values, at 59c. Undermuslin Specials at 50c. Night Gowns of cambria and crepe cloth, with fine embroidery and lace trimmings; several styles. Lansburgh & Bro.—Third Floor—Undermuslins.

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Wonderful Values In Our May Sale of Silks. All-Silk Crepe Meteor, \$2.00 Quality; 40 inches Wide. Yard \$1.39. The sale hundreds and hundreds of women have been waiting for will take place in our Silk Department tomorrow. These meteor crepes are absolutely all pure silk. Strong, soft and beautifully finished with a high satin luster and crepe back. The color assortment includes wistaria, peach, amethyst, taupe, helle, violet, battleship gray, dreadnought, orange, leather, mauve, coral, brown, old rose, African brown, pink, gold, garnet, cardinal, lavender, tobacco, copper, Delaware, peach, pearl, emerald, Burgundy, Myrtle, Atlantic, white, cream, ivory, black and the following shades of blue: Baby Blue, Copenhagen, Belgian, Kings, Rocky Mountain, turquoise, navy and midnight. Remember, these are the regular \$2 quality. Tomorrow a yard \$1.19. All-Silk Crepe de Chine, \$1.50 Quality; 40 inches Wide. Yard 89c. Another shipment of these beautiful crepes came in yesterday, but in many instances only one piece of a color. An early selection is advised to avoid disappointment. These are all pure silk, heavy, strong and perfectly finished. A genuine crepe de chine weave in the following shades: Baby, Belgian, Rocky Mountain and navy blue, wistaria, plum, sand, pink, flesh, moss, helle, old rose, brown, taupe, myrtle, Delaware, peach, nile, copper, cardinal, white, ivory and black. 8th St. Annex—Silks.

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