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## Consternation Reigns in Italy— Twenty Towns Are Laid Waste

### VOLCANIC ERUPTION AND FIRE DESTROYS MANY VILLAGES

Terrified People Rush From Slopes of Mt. Etna, Sicily, Before Daybreak Bringing Stories of Ruin and Disaster—Many Are Killed—Hundreds Are Injured—Property Loss Reported to Be as Great as in Messina Disaster of 1908.

### RAILROAD TRACKS TORN UP—WIRES DOWN

Churches Razed to Ground, Houses Shaken to Ruin and General Desolation Over Radius of Miles Around Catania—Army, Navy and Civilian Authorities Ordered to Aid Stricken Section—Red Cross Quickly Enlisted—Scene Heartrending.

Catania, May 9.—Earthquake and volcanic eruption, followed by fire, destroyed many villages on the slopes of Mount Etna last night. The disaster caused the death of at least 135 persons. The number of injured will reach several hundred. Refugees declared the property loss is as great as in the Messina disaster of 1908.

Railroad tracks were torn up, churches razed to the ground, houses shaken to ruin, and telegraph poles overturned over a radius of several miles around Catania.

Terror-stricken people rushed from the villages into Catania before daybreak today, bringing stories of ruin and disaster. Their reports caused the authorities to take immediate steps to start measures of relief. The army, the navy and the civilian authorities received orders from Rome to render aid in the work of rescue.

The aid of the Red Cross was quickly enlisted. Interruption of railroads and telegraphs made it impossible to obtain any accurate details as to the loss of life.

Official reports late today placed the number of dead at 135 and the injured at 283. These figures will probably be increased by more complete advices from the wrecked villages.

Fifty persons are known to have been killed in the village of Linera, which was destroyed. Among the ruins of Passopomo, Bongiaro and Malati, twenty bodies have been found this morning.

Premier Minervini of Catania and all the officials under his superintendence were called together before daybreak and received orders to do their utmost to aid the afflicted inhabitants. They have since been working indefatigably.

The soldiers are aiding in the endeavor to rescue those still alive beneath the ruins and to extricate the dead.

All Available Nurses Mobilized. All the available nurses were mobilized and are assisting in gathering the homeless and children who have lost their parents. Temporary shelter is being provided here for the refugees.

Along the principal highways in the stricken district, the scene of desolation was heart-rending. Groups of refugees were frequently encountered and many of these were burdened with improvised litters made of branches of trees and bushes, on which they were carrying injured and dying relatives to the temporary surgical stations established by the surgeons and nurses.

Great Number of Injured. In the neighborhood of Santa Venerina the number of injured was great.

The authorities have commandeered all available automobiles to assist in the work of rescue.

For several days earthquake shocks had been felt at frequent intervals, accompanied by eruptions of Mount Etna. No particular attention, however, was paid to the occurrences.

The first severe shock was felt at 7 o'clock last evening. The extent of the catastrophe was not realized until this morning when terror-stricken groups of refugees began streaming into town.

Heavy Death List. The center of the disturbance was at the village of Linera. Here the proportion of dead and injured was very heavy. The victims were most-

### EXECUTION TO BE INVESTIGATED

Washington, May 9.—General Funston today, from Vera Cruz, confirmed unofficial reports that Private Parks, supposed to be insane, had been captured by Mexican federalists into whose lines he rode with two horses belonging to Lieutenant Colonel Emmer F. Taggart, whom he served as orderly. General Funston did not report that Parks had been executed, but mentions the execution of an unidentified American civilian.

The Parks incident was summarized in this statement by Secretary Garrison:

"General Funston reported that on May 6, Private Samuel Parks, belonging to the regimental detachment of the Twenty-eighth infantry, apparently went insane. He took two horses, the property of Lieutenant Colonel Taggart of the Twenty-eighth infantry and rode into the Mexican lines. It has been reported to General Funston that the horses were seen in the possession of Mexican troops. There is also a rumor that an unknown American civilian in the Mexican lines was executed two days ago. Parks' fate is not known. Mexican troops were last heard of in the neighborhood of Tejera, where the tracks of the Mexican National railway have been torn up."

General Funston has asked that the brigade equipment left behind at Galveston because of lack of room for horses and wagons on the transports, be sent forward. He is also asking that recruits for regiments here, now assembled at recruiting depots in the United States, be shipped.

The equipment includes a majority of the regimental wagon trains and horses for the signal corps. Lacking these, the signal corps and quartermasters department are hampered in their work about the city and at the outposts.

### OGDEN GROWING AS A MANUFACTURING CENTER

The Utah Canning company has closed its plant temporarily, after a successful run. President Pierce states that the machinery will be repaired and placed in condition for the season's work, which will begin in September.

This company makes a specialty of pork and bean, tomato soup, sauerkraut, hominy and sauce. "Pierce's Pork and Beans" has become as famous as the Van Camp brand and has much to do with placing Ogden on the map as a manufacturing city.

It is said by business men of the city and traveling salesmen that when Ogden gets to producing pure food cereals and making tin cans of all descriptions in connection with the fruit products that are now prepared for the market, it will lead intermountain cities as a manufacturing center.

Both the cereal and the can factories will be erected this year at a cost of about \$300,000.

### NEWTON TO BE SEEN BY THE FANS ON SUNDAY

The announcement has been made by the officers of the Ogden Baseball club that Manager Connie Mack of the Philadelphia "Athletics" has taken an option on "Ducky" Jones, the Cannons' fast third baseman.

It is probable that "Swede" Risberg will also be grabbed either by the "Athletics" or the New York "Giants" before the season gets very far along. "Swede" is also playing in fine form, his only weakness being a desire to cover more than his share of the ground.

In the game that is being played this afternoon at Glenwood "Kitty" Knight and Raedel were slated by Dad Glimin for the Cannons' battery and Manager Garret's announcement was that either he or Manning would go on the mound for Helena with Crittenden behind the plate.

The batteries announced for tomorrow are Newton and Seawood for Ogden, and Garret or Manning and Gleason for Helena.

Whitt, an outfielder, joined the Vigilantes today and may be seen in the lineup this afternoon or tomorrow. He comes from the Portland club of the North Western league and is said to be a good left-handed batter.

### HUERTA MEN START NORTH

Three Mediation Delegates Leave Mexico City for Niagara Falls, Canada.

U. S. ENVOYS NOT NAMED

War Department Continues Preparations for Possible Eventualities in Mexican Capital.

Washington, D. C., May 9.—With the departure of Huerta's mediation mission from Mexico City today, the South American envoys and government officials here were assured there would be no hitch in the Niagara Falls negotiations through tardiness of the Mexican delegation. Huerta's representatives will proceed to the Canadian border city by way of Vera Cruz and Key West. They should arrive in ample time for the beginning of the mediation preliminaries May 18. Announcement of their itinerary early today by the three envoys put to rest reports that the Huerta representatives might avoid traveling through the United States by going to Niagara Falls by way of Salina Cruz and Vancouver. Whether they might be invited to avail themselves of the courtesy of an American vessel in their journey from Vera Cruz to Key West, was an interesting topic of discussion among diplomats today who were looking up precedents along that line.

News that the Mexican mediators were on their way was expected to expedite the announcement of the American mission. It was believed that if the names of the United States representatives were not given out today the announcement would not be delayed much after the return of President Wilson from memorial services to the American victims of the occupation of Vera Cruz at the Brooklyn navy yard next Monday.

War Department Busy. While interest was renewed today in the diplomatic phase of the Mexican crisis, there was no abatement of execution of the program of preparedness in the war and navy departments.

Secretary Garrison explained that he was trying to gather transports at Galveston that could be used to send the fourth and sixth brigades to Vera Cruz "in case it is thought wise in view of a precautionary attitude to have them there." He asserted no aggressive move was contemplated and that there was no change in the situation "so far as hostilities are concerned."

Reply to Huerta. The South American envoys transmitted to Huerta today the reply of the American government to his protest that the United States had broken the truce by landing additional troops at Vera Cruz. Secretary Bryan declared that no aggressive steps had been taken by the United States forces and that nothing had been done to violate the armistice. The three mediators took the view that Huerta could be convinced that the United States had not violated it in spirit, at least.

While the diplomatic and military phases of the international drama played much attention, observers turned to developments in the Huerta-Carranza strife. Constitutionalists expressed confidence that their troops would drive the federalists out of Tampico in the next three or four days. That developments, it was hoped in some quarters, would relieve tension over the menace to foreign property in the Tampico oil district. Reports that San Luis Potosi had been taken by rebels were not credited by Carranza's Juarez agents. They expressed belief that their forces were not yet ready for a decisive attack on that southern gateway to Huerta's capital.

Dictator Will Not Resign. American and foreign refugees arriving at Vera Cruz from the interior stated all was quiet in Mexico City, where Huerta had asserted he would see his capital in ashes before he would quit.

Many inquiries as to the possibility of employing state militia during the Mexican crisis were received in Washington today. They were inspired by questions sent to governors of the states, asking about the condition of the national guard. Indications today were that the militiamen would be used for patrol duty if it became necessary to call them out. They would relieve the regular troops now on duty along the border, making them available for field service.

The flurry caused by the report that two steamers bearing arms and ammunition for Huerta were on their way to Puerto Mexico, was quieted by the announcement that no action would be taken by the Washington government to prevent discharge of the cargoes. A cablegram from Rear Admiral Badger early today stated that one of the ships, the Kronprinzessin Cecilie, had arrived at Puerto Mexico Friday. Whether she had unloaded her cargo was not stated.

The cruiser Montana, bearing the

American victims of the occupation of Vera Cruz, was reported off the Virginia capes today where Secretary Daniels on the presidential yacht Mayflower awaited her. They will proceed to New York, where at the Brooklyn navy yard on Monday President Wilson will express the tribute of the nation to the marines and blue-jackets who fell before snipers' bullets.

Washington, May 9.—On receipt of information from American Consul Rogers at Havana that munitions consigned to General Huerta on German ships would be returned to Germany as a result of action recommended by agents of the vessels, Secretary of State Bryan today announced that apprehension concerning shipments of arms to the Huerta government had been averted.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt announced today that the state department had satisfactorily settled issues which had arisen over the reported consignment of arms to General Huerta aboard the German vessels Kronprinzessin Cecilie and Bavaria to be delivered at Puerto Mexico.

Reiterating today his declaration of last night that there was nothing "imminent" in the Mexican situation, and that no "aggressive" move was contemplated by this government, Secretary of War Garrison continued supervision of preparations to send the balance of the second division of the army to Vera Cruz as a precautionary measure.

Brigades Receive Orders. Orders have gone to the Fourth and Sixth brigades at Texas City to be ready to reinforce General Funston. When the forward movement was ordered, still undecided. Throughout the day, war department officials were engaged in gathering transports and up to noon arrangements had been made for eleven ships, including the four regular army transports now at Galveston.

### BECKER JURY IS BROKEN UP

New York, May 9.—Though completed last night, the jury selected for the second trial of Charles Becker for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, was broken up again this morning, necessitating further examination of talesmen and delaying the opening address of District Attorney Whitman.

When court convened, Justice Seabury announced that two jurors had made special requests to be excused.

### HOME SCENE AND OLD SONGS AS PART OF CHURCH PROGRAM

The following program will be observed at the First Congregational church tomorrow, in honor of Mother's Day:

Decorative home scene—Rockers, library tables, books, flowers, pictures.

Hostess: Mothers—Mesdames S. M. Day, Elizabeth Brainerd, H. R. Emerson, L. P. Cutting, E. J. Harris.

Mother and Child—Mrs. R. L. Noggle and Son Halford.

Mother and Babe—Mrs. O. A. Parmley and son Russell.

Program.

Miss Alice Gray, pianist; Miss Dorothy McGraw, assistant pianist.

Prelude—"Zerzuse".....Fieltz  
Evening—"Romanza".....Grunseld  
Postlude

Morning—"At Parting".....Kussner  
Evening—"Buona Notte".....Nevin  
Miss Gray

Violin solo, Morning—"Serenade".....Drdla  
Evening—"Nocturne".....Mendelssohn  
Miss Mary Parmley

Madame Anna Holberg  
Songs, "Queen of the Earth".....Pinsuti  
"Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing".....

Mr. E. L. Howes  
"The Flower Land of Sleep".....Gilbert  
Mrs. R. L. Noggle

Song, (Victrola) "The Rosary".....Nevin  
Duet, (Victrola) "O That We Two Were Maying".....  
Miss Gluck and Madame Homer.

(Mesdames Schumann-Heink and Homer are two of the most wonderful mothers appearing before the public.)  
"The Old Folks at Home"  
"The Old Oaken Bucket"  
"Home Sweet Home"  
The Congregation.  
Sermon—Morning, "The Quality of Motherhood." Evening, "Mothers as We Know Them."  
The Pastor.

### CHARLES W. POST TAKES OWN LIFE

Millionaire Cereal Food Manufacturer Shoots Self Through Head With Rifle.

EVADED TRAINED NURSE

Widely Known Throughout Country as Founder of Health Food Industry.

Santa Barbara, Cal., May 9.—With a bullet from a rifle he had previously concealed in his apartments, Charles W. Post, millionaire manufacturer of cereal foods, and national propagandist against union labor, killed himself at his winter home here today. Evading a trained nurse, who had been attending him since he returned from the east a few weeks ago, he went to his apartment, placed the muzzle of the rifle in his mouth and pulled the trigger with a toe.

Mr. Post was convalescent from an illness which necessitated a major operation some weeks ago at Rochester, Minn. At that time he was hurried to Rochester, Minn., in a special train so that he might arrive in time for the surgeons to save his life.

Returning here a few weeks ago, he seemed to be exceedingly nervous, and Mrs. Post who came to their winter home here with him, engaged trained nurses to attend him.

Mr. Post arose at his usual hour this morning, breakfasted and lounged about until 10 o'clock, when he excused himself, telling his nurse on duty at the time that he wished to go to his apartment to lie down. What happened then is a matter of conjecture. A shot was heard; Mrs. Post and a nurse rushed to the apartment upstairs and found the millionaire stretched on the floor, dead.

Both Mrs. Post and the nurse said they did not know how Mr. Post had procured the rifle. Its presence in the room was taken by them to indicate that he had planned his death some time in advance.

### ECCLES ESTATE HAS A VALUATION OF OVER SIX MILLIONS

The board of appraisers of the estate of the late David Eccles has practically finished its work, but has not yet officially signed a report giving the detailed values of the estate. The board has been at work on the appraisal for a number of months during which time the various properties of the estate have been investigated and valuations placed in accordance with market prices.

The estate is one of the largest ever brought before a court in Utah for administration and it has required much time to learn just what the real values are. The board has been assisted materially by the administrator, David C. Eccles, and the attorneys for the state together with state officers who are guarding the interests of the state which is entitled to an inheritance tax of 5 per cent of the value of the estate above \$10,000, which is exempt.

The property, both real and personal, consists of stocks in large companies engaged in banking, railroad, lumbering, mining, manufacturing and building in the intermountain states, the larger holdings of which are in Utah and Oregon. Mr. Eccles was one of the most extensive dealers in lumber in the west and he was considered one of the best sugar magnates of the country. He also owned and controlled large real estate interests and was the prominent stockholder of the Utah Construction company, which has engaged in larger railroad and other construction than any other concern of its kind west of the Mississippi.

The official appraisers are T. A. Whalen, C. F. Middleton and Archibald McFarland and a recapitulation of their report is as follows:

Personal property, \$5,397,991.61  
Personal property, supplement, 6,832.78  
Real Estate, 611,590.00  
Real Estate supplement, 17,840.97

\$6,054,555.46

The inventory furnished by the administrator gave a valuation of \$4,590,000 which was based on estimates made from a casual consideration of the vast estate.

With the filing of the report of the appraisers, the administrator will proceed to settle the accounts and prepare for a final distribution and settlement. It is said that there was not a dollar's indebtedness against the estate and that Mr. Eccles had his business in such shape at the time of his death that it required only a little bookkeeping to strike a balance.

### HUNDREDS FLEE FROM MAZATLAN

Fall of City Seems Imminent, Is Wireless Message From Steamship California.

THREE-DAY BATTLE

Many Narrow Escapes—Mexican Federalists Fire Shots Across Decks of British Steamer.

On Board U. S. S. California, Mazatlan, Mex., May 18.—(By Wireless to San Diego, May 9).—The fall of Mazatlan seems to be imminent. The city officials embarked last night on the federal gunboat Guerrero and the steamer Limantour, both of which are ready to sail for Salina Cruz.

The federalists have abandoned the gunboat Morelos.

A wild shot from the Guerrero today passed through a street of the city, creating a panic.

As a result of a three-day battle, the townspeople are in a state of terror and hundreds are fleeing.

It is reported that C. B. Helley, an American, and G. H. Williams, an Englishman, were killed and two other Americans, Walter Neal and Patrick Baird, wounded near El Favor mine in the vicinity of Hostatiquillo.

Refugees from Mazatlan told stories of narrow escapes when they arrived here on the British steamer Cetriano, which was made into a refuge ship at the instance of the commander of the German cruiser, Nurebnurg. The Cetriano came up the coast from Manzanillo and sailed today for San Francisco with 100 refugees, including American Consul Edwards.

Mexicans Burn Pier. While the Cetriano was at the dock in Manzanillo harbor, according to Captain Minister, the vessel's commander, and Consul Edwards, the Mexicans set fire to the pier with oil, and then resorted to dynamite to make the destruction more certain. Some of the last of the refugees to reach the vessel made their way to safety only at imminent risk.

The Cetriano got clear of the burning pier with much difficulty, and as she was swinging out into the stream, a number of shots were fired across her decks from the shore. Nobody was hit. The timely arrival of the cruiser Raleigh put an end to the firing and to the depredations of the Mexicans along the waterfront.

Strategic points have been established on Observatory Hill and Creston Island, in Mazatlan harbor.

Oregon Expresses Regret. General Oregon, the constitutionalist commander, has expressed to Admiral Howard his deep regret that non-combatants should have been killed by the unintentional dropping of a bomb from a military aeroplane while circling above the city.

By order of Huerta, light-house service on the west coast of Mexico has been abandoned, and the coast last night was in darkness.

The American brig Geneva was captured on the high seas April 26 by the Mexican transport Korrigan, according to information received here today. At the demand, however, of Captain Magruder of the United States cruiser Raleigh, the brig was released.

Washington, D. C., May 9.—Reports that Mazatlan, on the west coast of Mexico, had fallen into the hands of the constitutionalists were denied today in a message received at the navy department from Admiral Howard.

### SALVATION ARMY IS TO DISTRIBUTE FLOWERS

Colonel Lee of the Salvation Army, who has been conducting a series of excellent meetings in Salt Lake City during the past week, arrived in Ogden this morning and will conduct the services at the local post all day tomorrow. In the evening a special "Mothers' day" program will be given at which Colonel Lee will be the principal speaker. He will also hold a special meeting for the children at 2 p. m., at which each child present will be presented with a flower.

Colonel Lee will be assisted at the services tomorrow by Captain Catton, who accompanied him to Ogden from Salt Lake. Captain Catton is a connoisseur of note and will render a number of selections on that instrument at the different sessions.

Adjutant and Mrs. Dowell and Ensign and Mrs. Clement of the Ogden post will also take part in the meetings.

**GREAT BASEBALL SUNDAY**  
**OGDEN vs. HELENA**  
**GLENWOOD, 3:30.**  
"Doc" Newton Pitches for Ogden.  
Tickets—Hemenway & Moser Cigar Stores.