

HUERTA SAYS HE WILL RESIGN IF NECESSARY FOR A SETTLEMENT

General Instructs Mexican Mediation Delegates to That Effect

NEW PROBLEM NOW CONFRONTS NATION

Matter of Chief Concern Is in Regard to Possible Successor to Ruler

Washington, D. C., May 18.—General Huerta has authorized the Mexican mediation delegates to submit his resignation, in case such a course is found necessary to a settlement in peace negotiations. This was stated positively in dispatches today from a thoroughly competent diplomatic source in Mexico City, to one of the foreign representatives here and confirms intimations given by friends of the delegates here yesterday.

According to this information from Mexico City, General Huerta at first authorized the delegates to discuss only the question of the Tampico conflict, leading to the American occupation of Vera Cruz. Later the Mexican dictator, it is said, came to recognize the necessity of a broader settlement and then conveyed to the delegates assurances that he was prepared to step down should this course be found necessary by them.

New Problem Arises.

The problem causing chief concern to diplomats in Mexico City now is that of the form of administration to be established during the interim before a constitutionally elected president could assume office. No intimations concerning the name of a possible successor to Huerta were contained in the dispatch, this subject being one in which it would be necessary to consult opinions of constitutionalists and other leaders in Mexico.

Supreme Court Justice Lamar and Frederick W. Lehman, who will represent the United States at the peace conference at Niagara Falls, Ont., today, arranged to leave Washington at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. This arrangement will put the American delegates at the scene of the conference about the time the Mexican delegates arrive there from New York.

The information of Huerta's attitude now received through foreign diplomatic channels agrees with the view obtained by some of the close friends of the Mexicans during their stop here. According to this view, the delegates realized that the present administration at Mexico City was fast going to pieces, and it was inevitable that Huerta give place to some other authority. It did not, however, disclose that Huerta had authorized his resignation, if they considered that course necessary, and this more definite base was first made known in the dispatch through diplomatic channels.

Delegates Not "Hueristas."

The Mexican delegates are not "Hueristas" but represent broadly the best elements in the federal districts, generous of bringing about an orderly government in that section and throughout Mexico. In that respect their wishes are believed to correspond with the wishes and intention of the American government.

Who will come after Huerta, whether an individual, or a provisional commission, is still a question, but it is gathered that the succession will not be likely to fall on military leaders who have come to prominence by arbitrary force.

SUSPEND LUMBER RATE INCREASE

Washington, D. C., May 18.—A proposed increase in the freight rates on lumber in carloads from points in Louisiana to St. Louis, Mo., Cairo, Ill. and other transfer points, averaging about 2 cents a hundred pounds, today was suspended by the interstate commerce commission until Sept. 19.

Wilson and King Haakon Send Centennial Message

Washington, D. C., May 18.—President Wilson and King Haakon VII. of Norway, have exchanged cablegrams, the text of which was made known in Washington:

"The White House, May 17, 1914.
"His Majesty, Haakon VII.
"King of Norway, Christiania.

"In the name of the government and people of the United States, I extend to your majesty sincere felicitations on the centennial being celebrated today in Norway. The government of the United States is keenly sensible of the cordial feeling harbored in your enlightened and progressive country toward the United States, and in assurance of the desire and aim of this government to reciprocate and foster that feeling, I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to your majesty my

Argentine Minister, First of South American Diplomats, Arrives on Scene

WILL COMPLETE CONFERENCE PLANS

Everything Will Be in Readiness for Work to Start Right

Niagara Falls, Ont., May 18.—With the arrival here shortly after 10 o'clock today of Romulo S. Noan, Argentine minister, the first of the South American mediators to reach the scene where they will formally open their conference Wednesday, the effort to compose the Mexican situation made a real start.

Accompanied by Robert F. Rose of the state department Mr. Noan motored from Buffalo this morning. On his way he was taken about Goat island on the state reservation and was shown various points of interest around the cataract. When he reached the hotel where the mediation conference will be held he went at once to his apartments.

Brazilian Consul There.

James P. Mee, of the Brazilian consulate in New York, also arrived today. Among others here are Mr. Moreira, secretary to the Brazilian ambassador, and Senor Algarra R. De Torres, former charge d'affaires of Mexico at Washington.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 18.—Romulo S. Noan, Argentine minister, first of the South American mediators on the Mexican problem, reached here at 7:20 a. m. today. Robert F. Rose, state department representative, met him and took him to Niagara Falls, Can., by automobile.

Will Finish Plans.

The purpose of Dr. Noan's early arrival is to complete the plans for the conference, which will begin with the Mexican and American delegates on Wednesday. While rooms and the conference hall already have been engaged at a leading hotel in Niagara Falls, Dr. Noan desired to make certain that all conveniences were provided for carrying on the work of the conference with as much comfort and expedition as possible. The minister was accompanied by his 7 year old son.

Mexicans in New York.

New York, May 18.—Augustin Rodriguez, Emilio Rabasa and Luis Elguero, the three peace delegates from Mexico, who arrived in this city last night from Washington, remained secluded at their hotel during the forenoon. Senor De Campo, attache and spokesman for the delegates, said most of the party had visited New York before and would not take a sightseeing trip through the city. All remained reticent regarding their plans, although it was said that a statement might be issued this evening.

The party will leave for Niagara Falls, Ont., tomorrow.

CLOSED UP BANK IS THREATENED BY MOB

Chicago, May 18.—Police reserves were called upon today to control a crowd of depositors who threatened to break in the doors of the Brookline and Commercial Savings bank a private concern which closed its doors Saturday.

This bank and the midway commercial and savings bank were owned by Jos. T. Ashurst and William B. Fosberg. Depositors informed the police that Ashurst was aside.

The bank advertised resources of \$150,000 and deposits of \$12,000 and had 800 depositors. Yesterday Fosberg found 400 pennies and forty dimes in the safe.

personal good wishes for your continued welfare and happiness.

(Signed) "Woodrow Wilson,
President of the United States."

"Christiania, May 18, 1914.
"The President, Washington:
"I thank you excellently very much for your very kind telegram, which my people appreciate very much as we have so many Norwegians who are now good American subjects, and at the same time not forgetting the old mother country.

(Signed) "Haakon, R."

SEND NORDICA'S BODY HOME.

Batavia, May 18.—The body of the young Lillian Nordica was shipped today on board the steamer Van Cloon for Singapore, from which port it will be taken to the United States.

All England is Mourning Death of Consul Griffiths

London, May 18.—Gloom has been cast over the American colony in London by the death yesterday of Consul General John L. Griffiths, who succumbed to heart disease. His death is deeply regretted, not only in the English capital but throughout the country where he was almost as well known as in London on account of his brilliant after-dinner speeches.

Mr. Griffiths was one of the most popular American officials who ever held office in England. The reputation he won during his occupancy of the American consul in Liverpool for his close attention to the duties of his office, as well as for his good fellowship, was fully maintained by him when he was in London.

Consul General Griffiths was the most sought after speaker in London and he delivered more speeches and addresses after his arrival here in 1908 than any other man during the same period of time.

He was a prolific writer and sent extensive reports to the state department at Washington while he still found time to do considerable literary work. The British press pays the highest tributes today to the late consul general's abilities as an official while the newspapers refer to him as a popular figure and praise his efforts on behalf of greater relations between the United States and Great Britain.

Mr. Griffiths was supposed to be on the way to recovery when his death occurred yesterday.

REFUGEES COMING BACK FROM MEXICO

TWO SHIPS BRING IN PEOPLE TO NEW YORK FROM PORTS OF SOUTHERN COUNTRY.

New York, May 18.—Eleven refugees from Mexico, four of them from Tampico, arrived at New York today on the Ward line steamship Camaguey. Only two were Americans. John J. McPolan and an employe at Tampico of the Anglo-American Oil Co., said that they left because of threats against his life made when anti-American feeling was at fever heat.

The Camaguey left Tampico, May 2, eleven days before the city fell into the hands of the constitutionalists. The boat, registered under the Cuban flag, was tied up at the wharf at Tampico for seventeen days and was within a block of some of the heaviest firing from the Mexican gunboats. According to the refugees, demonstrations in the streets were continuous and all hotels refused to house Americans.

The American vice consul, according to one passenger was dragged from a coach and a rope was put about his neck. Sailors from the British cruiser *Hermolite* rescued him.

The Clyde steamer *Seminole* also arrived here today coming from Dominican ports with news of bombardment of Puerto Plata. The *Seminole* was prevented on her outward voyage from entering port by the Dominican gunboat *Independencia*, which signaled that the port was under blockade. The gunboat was then shelling the town. On the *Seminole's* homeward voyage she again touched Puerto Plata and this time was warned by the United States cruiser *Washington* not to enter. Passengers were brought on board by the cruiser's boats.

PLAN TO INCREASE MARINE EFFICIENCY

Washington, D. C., May 18.—To increase the efficiency of the marine corps Representative Britten today introduced a bill to create the grade of brigadier general in that corps. The measure would provide for the appointment of two of the highest of this new grade by the president. Present emergencies in Mexico, Mr. Britten asserts, have demonstrated the need for legislation of this character. The bill is designed to make the marine corps conform with the army organization and would furnish an intermediate grade as between major general commandant and colonel.

AUTO SALES MANAGER VICTIM OF EXPLOSION

Columbus, O., May 18.—Joseph D. Firestone, aged 55, manager of the Columbus Auto Sales Co., was burned to death today when a tank on his automobile exploded. Mr. Firestone was filling the tank at the time of the explosion and it is thought that the gasoline caught fire from a cigar which he was smoking. The body was burned almost beyond recognition.

FARMINGTON WOMAN DIES SUDDENLY

Farmington, May 18.—Mrs. T. Beldman, aged 60 years was taken suddenly ill last evening on her way to the M. E. church to hear the baccalaureate sermon. She was taken back to her home, but lived only a few minutes. Heart failure is given as the cause of her sudden death. The funeral will be held Tuesday with burial at Athens, Mo.

ORDER ALL OHIO MINERS TO STRIKE

Columbus, O., May 18.—Orders declaring a strike of all coal miners in Ohio went out from headquarters of District No. 6 United Mine Workers of America, here today. Miners' officials also began paying strike benefits of \$3 per week to every member of the organization. The mines have been closed since April 1 by orders of the operators.

THINKS DEMAND IS ASTOUNDING

SENATOR SUTHERLAND OF UTAH SAYS WILSON IS SETTING UNHEARD OF PRECEDENT.

Washington, D. C., May 18.—Senator Sutherland of Utah, declared in the senate today, in the history of free government no such astounding proposition ever before had been presented to a great legislative body as the demand of President Wilson, that the congress should repeal the tolls exemption law without raising the question whether we were right or wrong.

"To comply with the request," said Senator Sutherland, "would be so utterly subversive of every consideration of self respect that even those who intend to capitulate will raise the question and make a pretense of justifying their action on defensible ground before acceding to the president's request."

Senator Sutherland said he intended to vote against repeal, but he added he was in favor of arbitrating the dispute, because of the difference of opinion prevailing among the greatest thinkers of the country over the question.

IOWA CITY JUDGE GIVES BOY A CHANCE

Iowa City, May 18.—After sentencing Reinhard Frye, the Niagara Falls boy forger, to ten years in the penitentiary, Judge Howell has released the boy to his mother on parole.

Frye will be sent back to Niagara Falls under a court parole, made possible by a law passed last year. He will be given in charge of his parents who will be required to make a report every four months. If Frye shows good behavior he will be permanently released after the period of parole.

NORWEGIANS ARE STILL CELEBRATING

Minneapolis, Minn., May 18.—The festivity of the final day of the centennial celebration of Norway's independence was begun here Saturday and was devoted to visiting and sightseeing followed by an aeroplane flight and a baseball game at the Minnesota state fair grounds. Addresses were scheduled for late in the afternoon.

SEEK TO REMEDY INDUSTRIAL LAW

PROMINENT LABOR AND SOCIAL WORKERS TALK AT MEETING BEING HELD.

New York, May 18.—With a view to obtaining first hand information for recommendations to congress for remedial industrial legislation the United States Industrial Relations committee today began a series of hearings in this city at which men and women prominent in labor and social work will be given an opportunity to present their views. The hearings will continue every day until June 12.

The subject of employment offices and unemployment was to be discussed today, tomorrow and Wednesday. The federations of labor, the socialist party and industrial workers of the world representatives will be heard on May 21 and 22. Other subjects to be considered are state mediation and arbitration of industrial disputes and public offices and bureau of employers association, industrial education, apprenticeship and the administration of child labor laws, the men's garment trade in New York City and the department stores of New York City.

PICKED UP MEN TAKEN TO SHORE

Revenue Cutter Seneca Arrives at Halifax With Sailors Nearly Dead

UNABLE TO TELL OF EXPERIENCES

Seamen In Such Serious Condition That Little Can Be Learned

Halifax, N. S., May 18.—The United States revenue cutter *Seneca* arrived here today with the four survivors of the burned steamer *Columbian*, whom she picked up from their small boat forty miles south of Sable Island at ten o'clock yesterday morning.

The condition of the men is serious, but it is believed they will live. A wireless message from Captain Johnstone of the *Seneca* told concisely of the rescued. Little could be learned today from the exhausted sailors of their experience beyond the fact that they had been tossed by seas since May 4, when fire on the *Columbian* drove them into their small boat. There were fifteen men in the craft when they left the *Columbian*. Eleven companions died of hunger and exposure and the four emaciated taken on the revenue cutter were almost unconscious.

Enroute to Antwerp.

The *Columbian* belonged to the Leland and was enroute from Antwerp to New York with a miscellaneous cargo when the fire started at midnight on May 3. The crew had time only to launch their three boats. One of these containing thirteen men and the body of the chief steward was picked up by the *Francis* of the *Cunard* line on May 5. Late the same day another carrying thirteen men was sighted by the steamer *Manhattan* and her crew rescued.

Hope for the third boat had been abandoned when the message from the *Seneca* was received. The revenue cutter was on her way to Halifax for fuel and stores when a man on the bridge made out a life boat apparently empty. Drawing near Captain Johnstone found it contained four men more dead than alive.

Left in Murry.

The men in the life boat had left their ship so hurriedly that there was no opportunity to supplement the life boat's usual store of water and biscuits. A stern cask of water stowed fortunately rained fell and the men suffered less from thirst than from hunger. One hundred pounds of hard tack furnished their only food. This was used up the first week.

Day after day the men made desperate efforts to attract the notice of passing shipping. On the first two days three steamers were in sight and directly in the path of trans-Atlantic traffic, but none saw them. At the end of the first week they had drifted about 125 miles to the north—away from the winter track of the liners. The immediate vicinity of Sable Island is carefully avoided by merchant ships and apart from the ice patrol ships practically no craft is found in the vicinity where they were picked up.

Bread Supply Used.

With hope of rescue fast vanishing, the men lost courage. One week from the day they left the ship, the last of the bread crumbs were eaten. On that day one of the fifteen men died. Some of the men drank salt water, and one of them became insane and soon afterward died. The first to succumb was George Hill, an oiler. Chief Officer Teare ordered the bodies thrown overboard. One by one the men gave up until only four remained. Peter Triel died as aid was in sight.

CONTINUE TRIAL ALLEGED MURDERER

Kansas City, Mo., May 18.—The trial of Dr. W. T. Eham of St. Joseph, Mo., charged with the murder of W. Putnam Cramer, a Chicago advertising solicitor, in a room in a hotel here Nov. 18 last, was continued today until May 20. The trial was set for today, but was continued at the request of the defense.

Dr. Eham was released from jail on a bond of \$5,000 six days after the shooting of Cramer.

GERMAN AVIATORS HAVE A FATAL FALL

Frankfort-on-the-Maine, Germany, May 18.—Two fatal accidents occurred today in connection with the Prince Henry aviation competition, which started yesterday at Darmstadt. Lieut. Rhode, who was flying as a passenger with Lieut. Kolbe, was killed when the monoplane was capsized by gusty winds. Lieut. Kolbe died from internal injuries later in the day.

Funeral Delayed Hours While Free

Aurora, Ill., May 18.—Bernard Swenson 25 years old a Leland farm hand who suddenly lost his reason yesterday, got a revolver and a repeating rifle, shot his brother Bert, in the hip, riddled a passing automobile in which five persons rode, fired repeated random shots at people and animals and then took up a position in the only road leading to a cemetery and held up the funeral of Miss Lucille Baker for hours after he had fired at the driver of the hearse.

Some of Swenson's fellow townsmen think that he was in love with Miss Baker and that he went insane after her death. He was captured after a hand to hand conflict, by his brother and Sheriff Poust. The delayed funeral cortege then proceeded to the cemetery.

SUN WILL BE ECLIPSED

Phenomena To Be Visible During the Morning of August 21 in Northern States and Canada.

Washington, May 18.—The eclipse of the sun on August 21 next—total in part of Europe and Asia and partial in northeastern America—is attracting the widespread attention of astronomers and scientists, various expeditions being arranged to witness this phenomena.

The moon will pass between the earth and the sun, but it will not be observed in America, except as a small partial eclipse at sunrise in the northern states and Canada.

As the glare of the sun in the sky is removed and yet the moon hardly more than covers the sun, it is possible at times of total solar eclipse to see all the celestial objects near the sun. These cannot be seen at other times, because they are lost in the bright sky light. It is this which makes astronomers so eager to observe total eclipses.

ROBBERS USE CLEVER RUSE

Four Men Pose as Detectives to Gain Entrance to Picture Theater and Blow Safe.

New York, May 18.—Posing as detectives, four men gained entrance to a Broadway motion picture theater early today, made the watchman a prisoner, handcuffed three workmen who were in the theater and then blew open the safe in the box office, obtaining \$1,000. The robbers were in the theater building three hours and compelled the watchman to wind the watchman's clocks at various points in the theater at the proper time so that no suspicion as to their presence would be noted on the outside.

REINHABITATING LUDLOW

One Problem For Leaders Is Solved When Unmarried Greeks Return to Camp.

Trinidad, Colo., May 18.—The repopulation of the Ludlow tent colony of strikers began today. Unmarried Greek strikers led the return to the camp, thereby solving a problem for the strike leaders. The Greeks had mingled unwillingly with the other races, presenting the difficulty in their housing.

For the present unmarried men only will occupy the camp. The entrance of women and children was deferred until more tents have been erected and furnished.

ENGLISH ADMIRAL DIES.

London, May 18.—Admiral Sir Charles Carlier Drury died here today aged 68. He was born at Rothesay, New Brunswick, and entered the British navy in 1859. From 1907 to 1908 he was second sea lord of the admiralty.

Marshall Thinks Modern School is Lacking Religion

Washington, D. C., May 18.—Vice President Marshall's declaration that one of America's ills today, "is that there is too much science in the so-called educational system and too little God Almighty," occasioned comment in Washington today. The statement was made at a church gathering here last night.

"There is something wrong in many of the churches," said the vice president, "that is because church and state are separate and the state makes the schools and the church feels itself absolved from any duty in the direction of education of youth."

"The state is permitted to mold children from the age of six up through the time when they are going through college, where many of the professors

MEXICAN KILLED BY IRATE HUSBAND

Eulalio Rangel Shot Twice By Raphael Davila at Home of Latter

QUARRELED OVER MONEY MATTERS

Murderer Had \$116 Belonging to Victim Whom He Found With His Son

The peace of Ottumwa was broken Saturday afternoon by a shooting affray which resulted in the death of Eulalio Rangel, a Mexican, at 415 East Main street, immediately in front of the house of mystery where Levi Carter, a well known character was the victim in a shooting fracas several weeks ago.

Whether jealousy or money was responsible for the murder committed Saturday is a matter of conjecture, Raphael Davila, the murderer, did the shooting in the home of Mrs. Eva Doud, his mother-in-law while the murdered man lay on the bed playing with William Robert Davila, the little son of the man who used the gun. Davila made his escape and thus far has eluded the officers.

A Growsome Sight

The scene of the shooting within a few minutes after the shots were fired presented a horrible sight and attracted the curious of both sexes and different colors, who sought every point of vantage to get a glimpse of the murdered man. The interior of the place where the murder was committed presented a scene of squalor and the limp form of the young Mexican stretched upon the bed where he had been shot, was gruesome in the extreme. The coverlet of the bed was covered with blood that oozed from the man's side where two of the three shots fired had entered.

His flaming yellow shirt was stained with the fire from the gun fired in close proximity to the person and the vicinity of the wounds was dyed a crimson. On the bed near where he lay were oranges and bananas as if he had been partaking of fruit and enjoying a lunch before the shooting took place. Strawberries with other articles of foodstuff lay heaped upon the table in the kitchen, or second room of the place where the murder took place.

A front and rear entrance is provided, the former on Main street and the latter on a street reached by means of a narrow alley between the building and the one adjoining on the west. At the rear of the court the cement block building called the house of mystery is located. The place is situated within half a block from the opera house.

Officer in Vicinity.

Officer Levi Noah was standing at the corner of Jefferson and Main streets about 3:45 o'clock when he heard three shots ring out in rapid succession. Following the sound of the shots he immediately sought the cause, and upon entering the front door of 415 East Main street, found the room full of smoke and everything in confusion. Rangel, the man who was shot lay on the bed and made two futile efforts to arise but fell back and breathed his last within a very short time.

Calling the station for help and notifying the coroner, Mr. Noah returned to the scene and found Captain Smith of the night force there. Officer Fiedler and Coroner Elserick were soon on the ground and these with one or two others assisted the officers in investigating the trouble which resulted in the shooting, and learning who the young man was that had been killed.

Captain Smith and Constable Huffman left for the railroad yards to try to intercept the murderer who had fled upon committing the crime. The undertaker was called and immediately after the examination of the remains

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