

# HUERTA TO DECLARE WAR ON U. S.

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# War Department at Washington Prepares to

# CALL VOLUNTEERS

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The United States faced war with a united Mexico today.

Gen. Carranza's demand last night that Americans withdraw from Mexican soil, and that the Washington administration settle its troubles with Huerta through him, met with a peremptory refusal from President Wilson.

In his communication, Carranza implied that he would join forces with Huerta if his wishes were disregarded. There was every indication that he would make his threat good. He and Huerta were said to be in communication.

It was understood the dictator would shortly issue an amnesty to rebels, that there might be nothing to prevent them from joining under his banner.

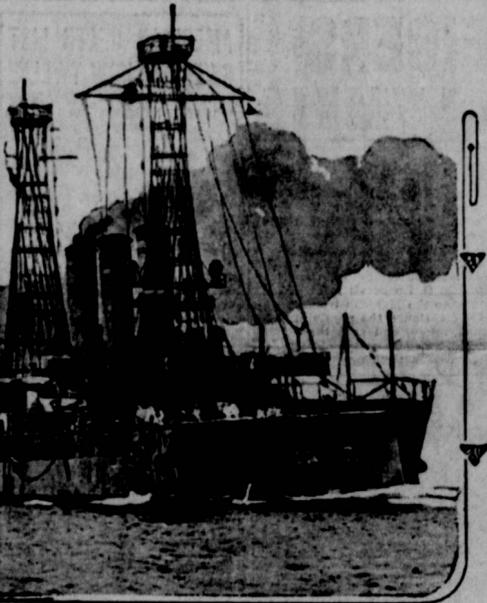
A declaration of war was momentarily expected. Huerta had cleared the way for it by handing his passports to United States Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy, and Mexican Charge Algora had received his from Secretary Bryan.

Steps were believed to have been taken for a blockade of the coasts of rebel as well as federal territory, and it was expected there would be landings at several points.

The army general staff was called together and it was reported an extensive movement of troops would start at once.

At Vera Cruz the Americans were restoring order, though there was still some "sniping" by Mexican sharpshooters, concealed in houses or upon their roofs.

### BADGER'S DREADNAUGHT FLEET ROUNDING FLORIDA KEYS ON ITS LAST LAP OF CRUISE TO MEXICO



### SITUATION AT GLANCE

Rebels and federals expected to combine against United States.

Declaration of war momentarily expected from Huerta.

Mexican troops prepare for battle in towns on U. S. border.

Eight Americans killed at Vera Cruz, making a total of 12.

Mexican Charge d'Affaires Algora is given his passport.

General Wood convenes staff to consider general army movement in Mexico.

Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy is given his passport by General Huerta.

Huerta declares he will have 400,000 troops in field within 20 days.

Admiral Fletcher establishes headquarters in Vera Cruz and controls city.

Mexican Gen. Maas awaits reinforcements outside Vera Cruz and may attempt to retake the city.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The war department today completed the draft of a call for 250,000 volunteers for service against Mexico. It will not be issued unless it becomes necessary, but that it will be necessary soon, most officials here believed.

No volunteer organization outside the regular militia will be considered. The department does, however, want the militia regiments recruited up to their full strength.

If the contemplated call is issued, it will mean that about 1,000 men will be enlisted in the state of Washington, nearly 600 of whom are needed to place the regiment of infantry on a war footing. Men would be needed in the signal corps, cavalry and coast artillery.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 23.—The Mexican commander at Tijuana, Mexico, 18 miles south of here, today ordered all non-combatants out of town. Women and children are being taken to Ensenada.

All male Mexicans are to be forced into service, it is said.

American troops at San Ysidro, just across the line, are throwing up trenches, and Capt. Condon announced that all women and children will be ordered out of that town.

# DECLARES HE WILL HAVE 400,000 MEN TO DEFEND MEXICO

By Bernard Rucker  
(United Press Correspondent)

VERA CRUZ, April 23.—Huerta was quoted here today as saying he would have 400,000 troops in the field within 20 days, "to defend not only Mexico's national sovereignty, but all of Latin America."

With 12 Americans already killed and 39 wounded, the sniping by ambushed Mexican sharpshooters of United States marines engaged in patrolling the city was still causing danger and annoyance today to the force in occupation here.

A house-to-house search of the central part of town was made yesterday, and today the hunt was spreading into the residential districts. Prospects were that until the inhabitants have been completely disarmed, the streets will continue unsafe for any one in a United States uniform.

Of the killed, four were slain in the skirmish which attended the landing Tuesday.

The other eight fell during yesterday's engagement. The wounded numbered 20 Tuesday and 19 yesterday.

Except for the sharpshooting, the marines were keeping excellent order.

**Marines Keep Order in Town; Maas Threatens Attack**

Admiral Fletcher had established headquarters ashore, appointed a complete staff, and instructed the native municipal officials to work under his supervision.

The inhabitants seemed to be regaining their confidence and business promised to be running much as usual soon.

No federal troops remained here.

Gen. Maas, who was in military command before the Americans drove him out, was at Tejeria, 15 miles inland, with about 1,000 of his men. He was known to be awaiting 2,000 more from Puebla, and an attempt on his part to recapture the city was considered a possibility.

With the fleet's big guns covering it, there was no worry, however, concerning the success of such an undertaking.

The trainloads of refugees which, leaving Mexico City early in the week, were so long in getting here that serious alarm was felt concerning them, finally arrived in the course of the night.

The passengers were worn out, but otherwise unharmed.

The trains were held up at Carboha station.

There were still a good many Americans in the capital, and efforts were being made to arrange for trains to bring them here.

**O'Shaughnessy Is Given His Passports by Huerta**

Among those looked for shortly is Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy of the United States embassy, who, having received his passports from Huerta, had no reason for remaining longer than necessary to turn over his records and other official belongings to whatever diplomat the Washington administration may designate.

Communication with the capital was re-established last night.

It was then that news was received of O'Shaughnessy's safety and of the fact that he had received his passports. Communication is slow and uncertain.

In the running of trains between Mexico City and Vera Cruz, Huerta has intimated he will assume responsibility for the passengers' safety to a point 10 miles west of the coast.

From there to the coast he will expect the Americans to protect the service.

Most of the American refugees quartered in the Hotel Diligencia went on board the steamship Esperanza today, in readiness to leave for Galveston.

**American Women Care for Wounded During Battle**

Many stories were told of heroism during yesterday's fighting.

A number of American women carried water to the wounded while the firing actually was in progress.

Others acted as nurses.

Two wounded Mexicans were as carefully tended as the Americans.

Among the women who took part in the work were Mrs. Charles Hudson, wife of the president of the Mexican National railway; Mrs. Thomas Ryder, wife of the manager of the Cowdray oil interests; Mrs. Harry Archer and Mrs. Mary Crow.

Admiral Fletcher was not having much success in his attempt to get municipal business transacted by the Mexican authorities, and unless they speedily show a disposition to co-operate with him he will take charge and put the city under martial law.

### STRIKERS PEN 60 PEOPLE IN FIERY MINES; MANY DIE

TRINIDAD, Colo., April 23.—Thirty-five persons, including five women and three children, members of the families of the mine operators, were reported trapped today in a blazing coal mine shaft house at the Empire Coal Mining company's mine at Empire.

Twenty-five others in a shaft of the Southwestern company's mine at Augilar were facing a similar fate.

**Will Cut Off Relief**

Latest dispatches say more than 1,000 armed strikers were gathered at Augilar and along the line of the railroad to prevent relief being sent to the two mines and to halt all troop trains from Denver.

The burning of the Empire and Augilar property followed a day of unparalleled warfare in American industry.

**Throw Bombs Into Mine**

Representatives of the mine operators here accuse the strikers of throwing bombs into the Empire mine and sealing its mouth to prevent the escape of the 35 persons penned therein.

H. D. King, one of the owners of the mine, telephoned that the slope of the shaft had been destroyed and that the air shaft furnished the only path to safety.

**Strikers Surround Pit**

He also asserted that 500 armed strikers surrounded the blazing pit. The strikers declared, King said, that President Sipple was among those imprisoned.

He charges the strikers, when he asked that relief be sent, told him to remember how women and children had died at Ludlow and threatened to "shoot anyone going to the rescue."

**Six Mines in Flames**

Operators have reports that six coal mining properties were burning today, including the Victor-American mines at Delagua and Hastings, the biggest mines in the coal fields.

At Ludlow the strikers threaten an open general attack on the militia. The strikers are gathering at Rugby, Primero and Black Diamond and an attack is expected momentarily.

Three hundred strikers were reported marching on Ludlow with the announced determination of exterminating 100 militiamen stationed there.

Mal Hamrock announced that he would be unable to send detachments to stop the trouble at Empire and at Augilar.

Mayor Dunleavy and others have wired President Wilson that a civil war will result unless government troops are sent here.

### ORDER MILITIA OUT

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 23.—The entire state military strength of San Diego, two companies of coast artillery and a company of naval reserves, was ordered out at 5 a. m. today to guard the city water system along the Mexican line.

### ORDERS THEM OUT

DOUGLAS, Ariz., April 23.—Acting upon an order from British Ambassador Sir Arthur Spring-Rice, British Vice Consul J. T. Paxton has ordered all British subjects in northern Sonora to leave at once.

Grand Sachem Redmen of Oregon wires Wilson 2,500 members ready to volunteer.

Thief uses rig owned by Sheriff Cuddehe in stealing chickens.

### MEXICAN GIVEN HIS PASSPORTS BY SECY. BRYAN

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Mexican Charge d'Affaires Algora was handed his passports here today by Secretary Bryan.

Algora asked for his passports, and they were given to him at once. This action formally severed official relations with Mexico.

Algora will leave, either tonight or tomorrow, for either Havana or Canada. He shook hands with all state department officials and appeared grave and sad.

Secretary Bryan said he had not struck whether to recall American consuls in Mexico. He indicated that he considered the Carranza development overshadowed everything else.

### GOVERNOR WEST TO ORGANIZE TROOP

SALEM, Or., April 23.—Declaring that no state in the Union could furnish better material, Gov. West has issued a call for volunteers for a cavalry regiment.

### BOY IS RUN DOWN

While crossing the street at the intersection of Eighth and Pike sts., at noon today, Henry Hansen, 5-year-old son of Henry Hansen, 1421 Eighth av., was struck by an automobile. The injured boy was removed to the City hospital, suffering from a broken leg. His injuries are not serious. At addition time the investigating officer had not made his report to headquarters, and the driver's name was not known.

### EXTRAS!

For several days, during the Mexican crisis, Seattle has been flooded with extras. Newsboys have invaded the residence districts late at night, rousing people from their beds to buy extras, thinking they would learn real news. Night extras, founded on unconfirmed reports, or with little foundation at all, are issued to bolster up flagging circulation. The Seattle Star will issue no night extras unless REAL news of an extraordinary character develops. The people may know that they will find real news ALWAYS when they buy Star extras, as the extras will be issued only when news developments justify.

### IDENTIFIES VILLA

VANCOUVER, Wash. April 23.—According to the declaration today of Sergt. Joseph White, retired, Pancho Villa, the Mexican general, deserted from troop D, 10th cavalry, United States army, in 1875.

Sergt. White says he served as sergeant under the name of George Gosvy.

### TORPEDO BOATS OFF

SAN DIEGO, April 23.—The Pacific torpedo boat flotilla sailed for Mexican waters at 10 a. m. They will go to Mazatlan.

### AUTO HITS BIKE

E. A. Jansen, 407 W. Republican, riding a motorcycle on Second av. near Vine st., collided with an auto driven by J. R. Lawson, 621 Third av. N. His arm was broken.

### WILSON TALKS UP IN HIS ANSWER TO GEN. CARRANZA

WASHINGTON, April 23.—President Wilson, answering the message of Gen. Carranza, declared today he deplored war, and he expressed his belief that the American and Mexican people are genuinely friendly, but he declared he could not temporize with Huerta.

"I wish," he continued, "to reiterate with greatest earnestness America's desire and intention to respect in every possible way the sovereignty and independence of the people of Mexico."

"But we are dealing with facts. Wherever and whenever the United States' dignity is flouted, its international rights or rights of its citizens are invaded, or its influence is rebuffed where it has a right to attempt to exercise it, this government will deal with those actually in control."

"It is now dealing with Gen. Huerta within territory which he controls. That he does not control it rightfully does not alter the fact that he does control it."

"We are dealing, moreover, with those whom he commands and with those who come to his support."

"They do not lawfully represent the people of Mexico. In that fact we rejoice because our quarrel is not with the Mexican people and we do not desire to dictate in their affairs."

### GEORGE GOES HOME

PARIS, April 23.—The king and queen of England left for London today, after three days as official guests of the French republic.

## UNIVERSITY JOURNALISTS TO GET OUT THE STAR NEXT SATURDAY

Hey, folks! Stick a pin in this and remember the date. Next Saturday Prof. Frank Kane of the University of Washington department of journalism and a staff chosen from among his students, are going to get out The Star. They're really going to get it out, too, all by themselves.

There will be a cartoon by the university cartoonist, sports written by university sporting editors, editorials by university editorial writers, heads written by university copy readers, and news written by university reporters. It's going to be a corker of a paper, judging from the enthusiasm this week on the campus. Seven o'clock Saturday morning will find the staff-for-a-day at its desks. Here's the line-up:

Managing editor, Farnsworth Wright; city editor, Ted Cook; telegraph editor, Ralph Hall; society editor, Helene Moore; cartoonist, Ted Cook; editorial writers, Farnsworth Wright, Ralph Benjamin, Joe Wood, R. C. Wright, Enoch Anderson, R. E. Johnston, E. K. Knight; copy readers, Phil O'Neil, Fred Woelflen, Conrad Breivick; reporters, Clark Squire, Frances Stone, Aimee Watters, Walt Tuesley, Emil Hurja, D'Loss Sutherland, Clarence Shivers, Louis R. Seagrave, Dexter Armstrong, Paul Neill, Harold Allen, Leila Parker, Helen Huston, Ruth Thompson, Anne Hurwitz; sporting editor, Frank S. Evans, and Keith Goodman and Guy Stegner, assistants.