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## NICARAGUA'S WAR.

### Citizens of That Republic Preparing to Shed Blood.

#### BOTH FACTIONS GRINDING KNIVES.

Conservatives Cut in Their Lot with the Government, Which Hopes to Promptly Suppress the Rebellion—Report That the Revolution May Involve All of Central American Countries—A Struggle Between Liberalism and Clericalism.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (Via Galveston, Tex.), Feb. 25.—Copyright, 1906, by the Associated Press.—The revolution is now in full blast, and all the cities on this side of the country are in a state of preparing either to support President Zelaya or to contribute men for the march of his enemies upon the capital, Managua. Fugitives who have reached this city from Leon, the old capital of Nicaragua, headquarters of the rebels, say that the Leonists are in arms to a man and rapidly organizing an army with which to advance upon Managua. They have the advantage of possessing more modern arms and artillery, but the adherents of the president are not discouraged, especially as the Granada conservatives, concerning whose attitude as a body there was some doubt, declared themselves yesterday in favor of Zelaya.

Hopes to Crush the Rebellion. This means almost half of the battle won, for Masaya will undoubtedly follow the lead of Granada. The latter city has more important commercial interests than any other city of Nicaragua. With Granada and other smaller cities supporting him President Zelaya hopes to crush the rebellion in due time. The loss of Granada would most likely have turned the tide against the president. The government can now not only withdraw all the regular troops from Granada, but in addition a strong corps of volunteers is being raised there to support the president, and its advance guard will shortly leave Granada for this city where every preparation possible for defence has been made.

Seize the Population to a Dot. The military authorities here are working night and day and the populace is wild with warlike enthusiasm. The military band which on certain nights in the week plays in front of the president's palace now plays there nightly, and all the patriotic airs are loudly applauded by the crowds which gather about the executive mansion. Three thousand men and twenty pieces of artillery are already mustered here; but the men are armed with old Remington rifles, the supply of cartridges is limited, and the ammunition is bad. Out of ten cartridges tried by an officer only four exploded. Incidentally it may be added that the soldiers of Nicaragua go barefooted, are dressed in jeans jumpers and trousers, and a straw hat, rifle, bayonet, and cartridge belt complete their equipment.

#### WAR IS CHEAP DOWN THERE.

Armed Cost Little to Clothe and Feed—Government Wins a Battle.

Consequently the expense of putting a few thousand men in the field is not very great. The cost of feeding a Nicaraguan army is also very light. A few beans and a plantain make a good meal for a soldier in this country. The president's army, it has been determined, will not wait here to be attacked. So soon as all the necessary arrangements are made the government forces will advance upon Leon and try to capture that city before the Leonists receive the reinforcements they expect from Chinandega and other places north. This step is especially advisable as it is well known that the Leonists are expecting men and arms from the clerical party of Honduras.

In short, it looks very much like a struggle between clericalism and liberalism which may involve other Central American republics besides Nicaragua. The leaders of the Leonists are the leaders of the clerical party, but the head of the movement is General Oriz, an ex-president and a staunch liberal. He has been an active politician for a life time and has been more or less prominently concerned in all the national movements of recent years.

There is a rumor that Costa Rica may take advantage of the rebellion to settle some old quarrels which have existed for years past between that republic and Nicaragua regarding, principally, the route of the Nicaragua canal and the rights of Costa Rica under the concessions granted to the American company. In any case the situation is a most critical one not only for Nicaragua, but for all the Central American republics.

#### MAN OF BLOOD AND IRON.

Weyler Gives a Brief Statement of His Policy—Barbarity Reported.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—Herr Karl Botcher, a German writer, says that in an interview with Gen. Weyler the writer observed that he had read Weyler's proclamation, upon which Weyler said: "Then you'll know that I adopt iron, and if necessary bloody measures to give this country peace." Another proclamation is to be issued shortly in which the captain general proclaims that he allows the rebels in the provinces of Pinar del Rio and Havana fifteen days from the date of the proclamation in which to surrender to the authorities. Those who do so will not be subjected to molestation, but small bands of insurgents in those provinces which do not surrender within the given period will, at the expiration of that period, be treated as bandits.

The property of all persons who have joined the rebels will be confiscated. The property of those who have openly aided the rebels in their raids will also be confiscated.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—A cable from Havana says: A reckless massacre of innocent persons has occurred at Guantamo, ten miles from here, and the country is in a state of abject terror. The people are fleeing from their homes. The people are being murdered in their homes. The massacre is reported as a "glorious victory" for the Spaniards.

## PREPARE TO WALK

### Excellent Advice to People in Street Car Towns.

#### BIG GENERAL STRIKE IMPENDING.

Chicago, Milwaukee and Detroit on the List of Cities Where a Tie-Up Will Occur Unless the Urban Transportation Managers Accede to the Demands of the Men—Fight to the Finish and All Arbitrators Warned Off.

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No Arbitrators Need Apply. The cities named are New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Detroit, Worcester and Milwaukee. President Mahon, who is in this city, said last night: "We are going to make a demand for ten hours' work for 32 pay, and we are going to make that demand at once, and if it is not granted a strike will certainly result. We are tired of being fooled, and we intend from tonight to deal in this city directly with the Union Traction company, and through no third party. We are determined that the third parties shall be kept out of our affairs, and as we are capable of attending to our own affairs, we must insist on our right to go direct to the employers. Our association must be recognized. This is final. I cannot say when a strike will occur; it may occur in a week, and it may not occur for three weeks or even longer, but if our rights are not recognized it certainly will occur. Our meeting did not decide to refer anything to arbitration."

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## ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

Princess Amolie Rives-Troubelskoy is seriously ill at the home of her father near Charlottesville, Va.

Two staff captains of the Salvation Army—Enrique Severo Sanchez de Fazo and Miriam Watkins—were married in Princess rink, Chicago. A crowd of 2,000 people was present.

J. S. Hamilton, a Chicago jeweler, was drowned at Canton, S. D.

Bourke Cockran denies the rumor that he intends to become a monk.

Ellas M. Moore has received a letter from his daughter in Armenia asking him to meet her there. She is the wife of President G. F. Gates, of the college which was burned by the mob. Mr. Moore will leave Chicago April 1, going direct to Constantinople.

C. N. Race, of Chicago, ex-cashier of the Burlington (Kas.) National bank, has been acquitted of the charge of embezzling \$73,000 of the bank's funds.

Obituary: At Paris, Arsene Houssaye, the French litterateur, aged 80. At Newark, O., Samuel Edison, aged 91, father of inventor Edison. At Manteno, Ill., J. Frank Campbell, aged 50. At Towanda, Ill., Nelson Jones, aged 70. At Jeffersonville, Ind., Captain W. H. Northcutt, aged 84. At Coldwater, Mich., George D. Ford, aged 88. At Wabash, Ind., William Parke, aged 88.

The remains of the late Rear Admiral Joseph Fyffe have been shipped from Pierce, Neb., to Urbana, O., for burial. The widow and son accompanied them.

James Evans was shot and probably fatally wounded by Sheriff Evans, of Noble county, Ind. Evans had been arrested at Hillsburg for stealing chickens, and was shot while trying to escape from the officers.

A train near Brunswick, N. J., struck a carriage containing two young men and two young women, killing Laura Childs and seriously wounding all three of the others.

The trustees of the Grant monument at New York announce that they have enough money to complete it and that it will be finished in time for dedication on Grant's birthday in 1897.

Three young children of Nelson Park were burned to death at Caisfield, Md. They were left in a locked room while their mother was away on an errand. The oldest of the children was 4 years old and the youngest 4 months.

Daniel Winter, the president pro tem, who is acting in the place of Burns, recently deceased by a K. of L. assembly of glass workers at Pittsburg, visited Jeanette, near Pittsburg, and was mobbed by Burns men. Winter had to be escorted to the railway station by police.

General Werler declares he expects to put down the Cuban revolution in a year and a half. Not long ago he told Cuban planters he thought they could begin grinding sugar by the middle of next month.

The proposed "blue and gray" parade which was to take place at New York on July 4 next, in which the Union and Confederate veterans were to take part and which has been so widely discussed by the press and otherwise in all parts of the country, has been abandoned.

#### Electric Railway Extension.

GREEN BAY, Wis., Feb. 25.—The Fox River Electric Railway company will extend its street railway line to Dopers, five miles south of this city, next summer. The work will be commenced as soon as the frost is out of the ground, and finished by July 1. Cars will run every half hour; fare, 8 cents.

#### Death of William H. Iams.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 25.—William H. Iams, who gained such unfortunate notoriety as a member of the Pennsylvania militia during the Homestead labor riots in 1892, died in the Maryland hospital yesterday from the effects of a pistol wound inflicted by Charles Arndt several days ago.

#### Fire in the Omaha Lumber District.

OMAHA, Feb. 25.—Flames in the lumber yard district were placed under control last night by desperate efforts after the Cady planing mill and the plant of the Santa Clara manufacturing company had been destroyed. The loss will hardly exceed \$30,000; partially insured.

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