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BLOODY FIGHTING NEAR EL PASO COMMENCED

REBELS ATTACK CITY OF JUAREZ JUST ACROSS LINE FROM EL PASO, TEXAS.

DYNAMITE STOPS TRAINS

Government Forces Learn of Invasion and Hastily Send Out Dynamite to Stop Trains Bearing Invaders—Rebels Advance on Foot and Preliminary Clash Indicates That the Revolutionists are Winning Fights.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 2.—A rebel attack on Juarez, Mexico, just across the line, began today. Five hundred Mexican cavalry and infantry are engaged against the guard of a thousand rebels under General Pascual Orozco, whose main body was advancing between that town and Samalayuca. Evidence that the first clash was a bloody one came when riderless and blood-stained horses stampeded into American territory. Orozco was coming to Juarez in two sections of Mexican Central trains which he had commanded but the officials heard of it.

Fought With Dynamite.

On the first intimation of trouble the Mexican troops were rushed out with dynamite to destroy bridges. Consequently the invaders had to take foot and march against the town. This afternoon the rebels are within four miles of the terror-stricken city.

Rebels Apparently Winning.

Despite the nature of the battle it is indicated that 114 Mexican infantrymen who clashed with the advance guard of the insurgents, only sixty-three returned this afternoon. Seemingly the rebels are winning.

Red Cross to the Front.

Drs. Bush and Sinks left here this afternoon under a Red Cross flag for the scene with a view of giving medical attention to the wounded. If the hospital will be established here for care of the wounded on both sides. The Red Cross is being more fitly organized in a hurry this afternoon.

Invaders Demands Surrender.

General Orozco the invader, has delivered an ultimatum to the American consul, Mars, at Juarez and to the Mexican Consul, Lomull, demanding the surrender of the city to prevent further bloodshed.

Juarez, a town of considerable size is located exactly south of El Paso, though S. H. Dalton, the local merchant.

PORTLAND PRINT SHOP BADLY DAMAGED

FIRE DESTROYS THIRD AND FOURTH FLOORS.

Total Damage Fully Insured and Amounts to About \$35,000.

Portland, Feb. 2.—Fire, starting by defective wiring, practically gutted the third and fourth floors of the plant of the Glass, Prudhomme Printing Co. today. The damage is estimated at \$35,000 and was fully insured. Surrounding property was not seriously damaged by the blaze.

the enough to El. Mr. Dalton returned as the first station south of El Paso and maps indicate it to be about thirty-three miles away. Juarez is a great tourist city and almost every American visiting El Paso visits Juarez. Every Sunday a bull fight occurs and gambling house are run wide open, and during the racing season big harness and running races are pulled off.

EL PASOANS WATCH TROOPS

All Americans Ordered to Leave Juarez and Natives Too Flee.

E. Paso, Feb. 2.—According to reports of American Consul Edwards at Juarez this afternoon ordered all Americans to leave the city for he fears the government buildings are mined to blow up the rebels if they attempt to sack the city. Hundreds of Juarez refugees are coming to El Paso this afternoon on street cars and business here is suspended. People are on the roofs watching the steadily advancing troops.

Can Hear Noise of Battle.

The sound of battle is plainly audible. American soldiers are patrolling the line, preserving neutrality. The report that 200 were killed is probably exaggerated and can't be confirmed.

A BUSY SESSION WITH PLENTY OF DEBATE

UGLY WORD PASSED AND DEBATE IS HEATED.

City-Conducted Sewer Project is at a Standstill Pending Investigation.

Two "mighty explosions" occurred during the council meeting last night and each one managed to enliven the session with plenty of spice, and before the confab between citizens and some of the council was over the short and ugly word passed to and fro. The first round of the talkfest commenced when John Melville a local plumber, representing other taxpayers as well as himself, openly accused the overseer of the sewer project in the alley between Washington and Adams avenue with permitting the sewer to go down improperly and Mr. Melville also involved Al Andrews, councilman from the second ward, by asserting that Andrews had shown a disposition to neglect careful inspection of the work, desiring above all things to have the work done at once. The project has been well started, about two blocks being completed and this is the first undertaking of the city in this line of work. The council employed a man named Jones to superintend the work. Jones held a somewhat similar position with the B. S. Davis project where he was inspector for the city. Melville asserted that the work was being done improperly and the statements involving Councilman Andrews drew that man to his feet and the debate was heated to say the least. Andrews denied the allegations and the upshot of the matter was that the project has been brought to a standstill pending an investigation by the city engineer, Curtiss, of the work already done. It is likely the meeting next up will hear a written report from the engineer.

Other Troubles Started.

Councilman Logsdon exploded a bomb in the council room when, after the sewer strife had subsided, he objected to the proposed auditing of the books by an expert, showing the records for the past 18 months. In

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KING EXPECTS OUTBREAK OF REVOLUTION

ANTICIPATED THAT GREAT UPRISINGS WILL COME TO SPAIN SHORTLY.

VICTORIA NOT POPULAR

Troops Supposedly Loyal are Being Shifted to Places Where Outbreaks are Most Likely to Center—Queen's Favorites with King Has Weakened Alfonso's Grip on the Throne too—Many Other Troubles.

Madrid, Feb. 2.—Discovery of a widespread army conspiracy to overthrow King Alfonso and the establishment of a Republic, today caused a rapid shifting of government troops. Strong bodies supposedly loyal and civic guards are being concentrated at Barcelona where the greatest outbreaks are expected. Unless stringent measures are used the government officials admit that the outbreak will occur at once.

Troubles of Many Natures.

The expected revolt is said to be delayed somewhat owing to the split in the Republican ranks on account of the discovery that certain officials were grafting.

It is said that officers of the proposed provisional government have been chosen. Perez Galdes, the author will be president, Roderig Soriano, minister of finance and Senor Arcart, minister of foreign affairs.

Alfonso's grip on the throne has weakened the last few days by revelations of his amours with a Parisian dancer while Queen Victoria is far from popular and the king has lost much ground with his subjects owing to her threats to leave him.

COOK HEARD AGAIN.

Assault Geographical Society Along With His Enemy Peary.

New York, Feb. 2.—Ridiculing Com. Peary's proof that he reached the pole as unconvincing and assailing the manner in which the National Geography society had endorsed his claims. Dr. Cook today discussed the arctic situation.

BARRET'S SON RELEASED.

Senator Barret of Oregon Able to Secure Release of Wayward Son. San Francisco, Feb. 2.—With the warning that he had better have less sweethearts to whom to supply engagement rings, Walter Barret, son of Senator Barret of Oregon was freed today by the police judge. He was accused of having stolen diamond rings.

ALL HOPE GIVEN UP.

Archbishop Ryan's Condition Such as to Foreshadow Speedy Death.

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—Hope was practically abandoned today for the recovery of Archbishop Ryan. The physicians' bulletin says he may die any moment or live several days.

Two Killed in Joy Ride.

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 2.—Through a joy ride, Edna Cooper, aged 17 and Stanley Clark, aged 18, are dead. Josh Sprncer, Roger Morton and Margaret Smith are dying. The automobile collided with an interurban car and was wrecked. The car was undamaged.

FLOODS MENACE TO TRAFFIC ON RAILS

SANTA FE ONLY LINE ABLE TO RUN TRAINS IN STOCKTON TERRITORY TODAY.

O. S. L. IS TIED UP TOO

Southern Pacific and Western Pacific Trains in Southern California Have Been Stopped for Twelve Hours and Little Hope of Galuing Service in Three Days—Washouts at Ogden Blockade Local Traffic.

Stockton, Cal., Feb. 2.—Southern Pacific trains are stalled today and no trains have been run out of Stockton via San Francisco for 13 hours. The Western Pacific is also tied up and it will probably be unable to operate for three days. The Santa Fe is the only line running trains this morning.

Several floods have been sweeping the San Joaquin river and although the water is subsiding, there is little hope of remedying the troubles for the next few days.

Stranded Steamer Floats.

Seattle, Feb. 2.—The Canadian Pacific steamer, Princess Adelaide, which went ashore near Seattle last night in a snow storm, got off at high tide this morning undamaged.

Ontario Storm Subsiding.

Port Arthur, Ont., Feb. 2.—The blizzard, which swept Ontario is subsiding. Snow is piled in drifts twenty feet high. Trains have abandoned service. Apparently there will be several days before anything like a regular schedule will be resumed.

TRAFFIC BADLY BLOCKED.

Have Been no Through Trains in La Grande From East in 48 Hours.

With over forty-eight hours of blockades east of Pocatello, presumably somewhere near the Ogden gate, Chicago-Portland traffic is stalled near Ogden and it is not likely that there will be any relief until late tonight or possibly tomorrow morning which would bring the first of the congested mail and passengers to La Grande tomorrow evening some time. Stub trains have been operating yesterday and today between Pocatello and Portland. Trains No. 17 yesterday morning five last night and 9 also of yesterday, 17 this morning, are missing here, and stubs have taken their place. The trouble is just east of Pocatello where a series of washouts have blocked the transcontinental traffic and when once it is let loose after its long stagnation, local power will be in big demand to handle the congestion as speedily as possible. The exact nature of the trouble is not known, though it is said that one washout was followed by another so that at last the Salt Lake connections were connected and as a result the past forty-eight hours have no through mail or express in this city.

Locally little is known of the situation but reports indicating the trouble will be righted tonight have been received this afternoon.

SNOW MANTLES VALLEY

Entire Eastern Oregon Subjected to Snowfall Last Evening and Night.

Not Union county alone but all Eastern Oregon was the zone of a snow storm commenced late last evening and continuing through the night. In many places the dry particles were drifted badly though there was not enough to seriously retard traffic of any sort. From Pendleton to Baker, an

average of three inches of snow has fallen.

The heaviest snow fall reported today was at Kamela where seven inches of new snow fell in a few hours and at that point there was a light hindrance to traffic.

The snow commenced near midnight and worked eastward rapidly striking Huntington at 3 o'clock this morning. It was at its worst in La Grande about 1 o'clock this morning.

Senators Sworn In.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Clarence Watson of West Virginia and A. J. Greena of North Dakota were sworn in today as United Senators.

Tacoma Laid In On.

Tacoma, Feb. 2.—Citizens know the lid is on in Tacoma today. Several thousand were disappointed last night when in compliance with orders of the city commissioners the ten round bout between Denver Ed. Martin and Jack Lester, a Tacoma boxing privilege, was called off. It is said the disorderly houses are next on the taboo list.

Storm Reaches Spain.

Madrid, Feb. 2.—Two hundred deaths are reported today in a storm raging along the Spanish coast. When reports from outlying towns are received it is believed the list will increase. Shipping is at a standstill and a large number of vessels are refuged in the harbors. It is feared a number were wrecked on the outside.

PLAN TO DELAY FINAL ACTION BY SENATE

LATEST MOVE OF NEW ORLEANS PEOPLE KNOWN.

Little Chance of Such Being the Case According to Senate Reports.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Filibuster talk came up late this afternoon and is the only visible sign of the New Orleans fight for the exposition site which is to be finally determined by the senate Friday, the house having already given its consent to San Francisco. The talk is strong that the New Orleans crowd will attempt to delay final action but the chances are slim, say reports, that such will be the case. Governor Sanders of Louisiana is still here but appears discouraged.

FRISCO THANKS TAFT.

New Orleans Losing Hope as Last Straws for Fair Site are Breaking.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Grinning broadly Congressman Kahn of Frisco appeared at the White House today to extend the thanks of the people of California and the west to President Taft for the government's recognition of San Francisco as the fair site.

CHILDREN USED FOR FOOD.

Shocking Conditions Revealed by Missionaries in China.

Nanking, China, Feb. 2.—Charges that over two million people are affected by famine in Kiang Su Anhut provinces and that children are being sold for food by famishing thousands were made today by missionaries just arrived from that region. Tales of the shocking conditions are told and many details are unprintable. Two hundred thousand families are without food, they say. The famine is due to the flood of the Kwal river which destroyed the crops.

Vesuvius is Rumbling.

Naples, Feb. 2.—Alarm is generally felt here today over the activity of Mount Vesuvius. Columns of smoke are arising from the crater and detonations are constantly heard.

POWDER TRUST BLAMED FOR EXPLOSION

FOUR DEAD AND TWENTY-TWO MISSING AS A RESULT OF YESTERDAY'S DISASTER.

MAY NEVER KNOW DETAILS

With North Jersey ready to carry Victim's of Yesterday's Explosion to Sea Authorities Have Little Hopes of Being Able to Determine the Number of Dead—Damages to New York and Jersey City is Half Million.

New York, Feb. 2.—Four men are known to be dead and twenty-two are missing with possibility of more being already in the death list, as a result of yesterday's explosion of dynamite on a New Jersey pier, when much of New York was shaken by the concussion. Exactly how many were killed will probably never be known as some of the bodies undoubtedly were blown into North river and carried to sea.

Two bodies and portions of a third have been found. Captain Robert Barnett of the tug Twony is dead. There is no trace of the captain and crew of the barge Catherine, located near the pier at the time.

The damage done to New York, Jersey City and the suburban districts is estimated at a half million.

When the shock occurred yesterday the big structures shook and plate glass was broken for miles about the scene of the explosion.

The grand jury, Coroner Houghton, and City Combustible Inspector Conneley are inspecting and investigating separately. Criminal prosecution of the powder trust, said to be responsible for the presence of the dynamite on the pier in disobedience of the law, is being considered.

REPORTS SENT BACK.

Bullinger-Finchot Affair Sent Back to the House by Committee.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Holding it has no jurisdiction to consider the report of the regularly constituted committee from the two branches of congress, the house committee on agriculture today voted unanimously to refer back to the house the Bullinger-Finchot reports of the investigating committee.

VICTIMS BURNED LIKE WOOD BY SOLDIERS

PLAGUE VICTIMS BEING CONSUMED ON PYRES DAILY

Hundreds Burned Up Under Superstition of Soldiers in Manchuria.

Peking, Feb. 3.—Stacked up record wood, oil soaked and in condition to burn like tinder, bodies of plague victims were burned by the hundreds at Harbin and other scourge centers in Manchuria today. Soldiers oversee the burning.

Pyres Kept Burning All Day.

The fatalities at Harbin average 150 daily and the sanitary force is working overtime gathering in the plague victims and burning their bodies.