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O'Shaughnessy Reported Killed

BRYAN SCOUTS RUMORS BUT ADMITS DEPARTMENT HASN'T HEARD FROM HIM IN 3 DAYS

Sinister Rumors of Massacre of Many Americans in Interior Reach Officials

CONGRESS ASKED FOR MONEY TO RESCUE FUGITIVES

TRAINLOADS OF REFUGEES FROM MEXICO CITY MISSING AND OFFICIALS ADMIT THEY MAY BE IN THE HANDS OF THE MEXICANS

Washington, April 22.—(5 o'clock Washington time)—There has not been a word from O'Shaughnessy up to five o'clock and the administration circles have the gravest fears concerning him. They admit now they are alarmed.

Washington, April 22.—President Wilson has sent a special message to Congress asking for an appropriation of \$500,000 with which to bring Americans out of Mexico.

Washington, April 22.—That Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American Charge d'Affaires at Mexico City through whom Uncle Sam has dealt with Mexico for months, has been assassinated is reported, but not believed in official circles. Secretary of State Bryan admitted today that he had not heard from O'Shaughnessy since Monday. He also persisted that there was little likelihood of such a calamity, and explained the failure to hear from him was due to censors at Mexico City.

Sinister reports of massacres in the interior have reached the state department. They tell of massacres of poor Americans who have been unable to reach seaport towns from their ranches. While the better classes were able to buy their way out, the poor were not, and the state department admits that it knows there are many white settlements on farms not far remote from Mexico City, but does not deny or confirm the stories of massacres.

Trainloads Disappear.

Vera Cruz, April 22.—American officials didn't attempt to hide anything concerning the fate of the trainloads of American refugees who were

supposed to be on their way from Mexico City. Nothing could be learned regarding them the officials say, adding that they believe Huertistas have cut the wires and that the men and women are in much danger.

War Reported Declared.

Washington, April 22.—Bryan denied today that he had knowledge of any reports that Huerta had declared war on America.

INSANE TAILOR TO ASYLUM.

Believes Every Fence Post Is Armed Man Waiting to Shoot Him.

Carl Joseph Edenhelm, a tailor who has been working for Al Andrews for some time was this morning adjudged insane by County Physician Graham and recommended that he be sent to the insane asylum. His particular hallucination consisted in a strange belief that every post was a man holding a weapon which he would discharge at him. Believing this he set out on foot for North Powder and there gave himself over to the authorities for protection. He was then brought to this city and examined with the result mentioned. He will be confined in the county jail until a nurse from the East Oregon hospital at Pendleton can come and take charge of him.

AFTER LANDING MEN AT VERA CRUZ, AMERICAN BLOOD FLOWS

Vera Cruz, April 22.—After the fighting yesterday, which was not reported early in the afternoon because the battle did not start until after the soldiers had landed—which fact was sent to the American newspapers—quietness reigned and little trouble broke out during the night. The arrival of Admiral Badger's fleet was the chief item of interest to those on shore and those on the ships in Fletcher's fleet. When the excited

soldiers closed their eyes in sleep the American flag flew over the customs house, much of the important water front and the cable office. To obtain this four Americans were killed and 20 wounded when a detachment of bluejackets and marines from the American fleet seized the customs house yesterday afternoon, raised the American flag and skirmished with the Mexican garrison. Desultory firing was in progress

TAMPICO ALSO IN HANDS OF NAVAL CHIEFS

BRYAN ADMITS RUMOR BUT KNOWS LITTLE ABOUT THE DETAILS.

VOLUME OF RESISTANCE NOT LEARNED AS YET

Senate Finally Agrees to House Resolution and Measure Is Signed and Is Now an Order—Movement of Troops Is Southward Entirely—Not Much to Be Learned.

Washington, April 22.—Secretary Bryan affirmed this afternoon that American marines had been landed at Tampico. No details were given out and it is not known if the invasion resulted in bloodshed or not. Bryan admitted he knew little about it early in the afternoon but expected to get more information later.

Bryan Evasive.

When asked if the marines had entered Tampico, Bryan said: "yes, I think so. But you better ask the navy officials." Asked whether the Mexicans had offered any resistance, Bryan answered: "I don't want to discuss that."

Immediately after giving out this interview, he called the reporters back and said he meant "Vera Cruz", when he said "Tampico." The report persisted however that the marines are landing in Tampico.

late in the day. At first the garrison had appeared to be withdrawing. American Consul Canada reported this to the state department but when the American forces reached the customs house the Mexicans opened with rifle and artillery fire.

The transport Prairie immediately began shelling the Mexican position, slowly driving them out. The Mexicans fought from the house tops and along the streets.

The American forces had taken possession of the cable office and held the American consulate and the section of the city in the vicinity of the wharves last night.

Those Who Yielded First Blood. Those killed at Vera Cruz were: COXSAIN SHOEMAKER. CORPORAL SAGGETT. SEAMAN POIUSSETT, all of the battleship Florida.

The name of the fourth man could not be learned.

The wounded include C. L. Leahy, U. Schwartz C. D. Cammeron, J. F. Piese, seamen of the Florida; Electrician Gelsburn of the Florida and D. D. McMillan, private, Second marine regiment, from the transport Prairie.

The women of the American colony in Vera Cruz had already been placed aboard the chartered steamers Esperanza and Mexico, but the foreign colony, especially the American section, was greatly augmented when three train loads arrived from the capital. Some of these remained ashore, but many were taken aboard the steamers. So far as can be learned none of the refugees was injured last night.

Rear Admiral Badger with the first ships of the Atlantic fleet reached Vera Cruz Tuesday night, having been diverted from Tampico, where only the cruiser Des Moines remains.

VERA CRUZ FALLS AFTER HOUR OF BOMBARDMENT BY GUNS OF ATLANTIC FLEET

Stiff Resistance Made by Snipers and Sharpshooters Ends When Fleet Commences to Fire

MEXICAN COMMANDER FLEES TO THE MOUNTAINS

AMERICANS FIGHT THEIR WAY THROUGH STREETS DRIVING MEXICANS HELTER SKELTER—TWO MORE AMERICANS ARE WOUNDED

Washington, April 22.—Vera Cruz went completely into the hands of the Americans just about noon. At 10 o'clock the department of state received word from Consul Canada at Vera Cruz that more than half of the city was in the hands of Americans and later the state department announced complete control by Americans.

Fleets Shell City.

Vera Cruz, April 22.—Admirals Badger and Fletcher combined their fleets today at 8 o'clock and assisted the invaders in taking Vera Cruz. Only the lighter guns were used and were trained principally on adobe huts from which the Mexicans were shooting in a desultory manner. Several houses were knocked down in the first volley, kicking to pieces the foundation on which some sharpshooters were firing away at the Americans.

The ships opened fire at 8 this morning after Admiral Fletcher had sent an ultimatum to the officials of the town demanding a guarantee that shooting of marines cease and business resume. While a reply to this was awaited, the marines held a small section about the customs house and the consulate, returning the fire from the roofs and streets. Machine guns were used and several adobe buildings were demolished in that way.

Fleet Opens Fire.

After it became apparent that the demands from the fleet officers would not be obeyed, the ships opened fire, using only the small guns.

Maas Flees to the Hills.

It is learned definitely that General Maas, commander of the Mexican troops who ordered fire on the Americans last night, has taken to the hills with his family.

Conditions in Vera Cruz are not "healthy" for foreigners or for Americans, but the town is rapidly filling with them. Two trains arrived early in the day from Mexico City and two more are on the way. All are loaded down with fugitives from the seat of troubles.

Vera Cruz, April 22.—Today's bombardment of Vera Cruz was heavy for a time, though none of the biggest guns were used. Many houses were wrecked while the advance of Americans was going on briskly.

Through the streets, clearing their way before them with machine guns and a smart rifle fire, the Yankees marched at a rapid gate. Sharpshooters and peons who were resisting the advance, were dislodged rapidly and beat a hasty retreat.

The city hall was captured in short order and guards were stationed in the federal barracks, principal parts of the city, and thus was made complete the invasion and capture of the city. The city was practically in the hands of the Americans half an hour after the bombardment from ships started, but it was noon before orderly conditions in the city existed.

Under Chester's rapid firing and the bombardment by the five-inch guns, the 3000 marines rapidly forced their way through every part of the town, rapid fire guns sweeping the streets and men the alleys, firing as they went. Resistance was mainly by unorganized rabble, who ran terror stricken when their men began to fall. The Americans searched houses for snipers and arrested many. Few Mexicans showed fight. Two marines were injured from bul-

RUMORS AFFIRM BRYAN HAS PUT IN RESIGNATION

PRESIDENT'S SECRETARY DENIES IT WHEN ASKED TO VERIFY RUMOR.

ADMINISTRATION ORGANS DISCREDIT WILD RUMOR

Rumor Starting No One Knows Exactly Where, Permeates Washington Today—Bryan Not Interviewed on the Matter but Tumulty Denies It Emphatically.

Washington, April 22.—Secretary Tumulty denied this afternoon the report that Secretary of State Bryan had resigned because of bloodshed in Vera Cruz.

New York papers first printed the Bryan resignation story but administration organs in Washington are this afternoon denying it. Much as they persist in offsetting the rumor, the story is growing in strength. No one seems to be authority for the original story, and senators and representatives who have been interviewed this afternoon, do not give the matter any credence whatever.

Pacific Fleet Furnishes Men.

San Francisco, April 22.—The South Dakota carrying 600 marines and an additional full complement of 800 officers and men sailed for San Diego this noon.

Passports to Be Given.

Washington, April 22.—There an authoritative report current that Huerta had instructed Algora to ask for passports. This official however would not comment.

Both Houses Endorse Wilson.

After lengthy debate both houses have finally endorsed President Wilson. The resolution has passed both houses and has been signed by the speaker and the President pro tem and by the President himself at 2:05 this afternoon.

Troops on the Move.

The general expectation is that regular troops will be on their way to Vera Cruz before the day is over.

More Ships Going South.

The third division of the Atlantic fleet, now at Boston, has been ordered to sail for Mexico April 25.

Japan has guaranteed to remain neutral.

San Francisco, April 22.—(Special)

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REGISTRATION MARK CREEPS HIGHER BUT IS STILL LOW

Registration has taken a spurt in the last two weeks and the total is now over 3200. This is still lower than the registration for last year, which was considerably over 3300. In view of the fact that women have the right to vote this year, this registration is much below normal. To-

night County clerk Ed. Wright will again be in the office of Jack Oliver for the purpose of facilitating registration. The time is growing short, but eight days remaining in which to register. Performing this duty tonight will do away with the necessity of swearing in six freeholders on election day. Delays bring trouble.