

TIJUANA CAPTURED BY QUICK ASSAULT

Rebels Take Border Town in Battle Where Federals Are Napping.

SURVIVORS RACE FOR LINE

Bullets Whizz on All Sides as Federals Dash From Besieged Buildings—Americans Care for Wounded of Both Sides.

TIJUANA, Lower California, May 9.—Three companies of rebels, composed of 250 men, are camped tonight in the buildings and streets of Tijuana. The town was taken by assault this morning, the battle lasting from 5:30 until 9:40 o'clock. At that hour resistance had ceased.

The attack was planned and executed by Pryce. His force of 30 men surrounded the town on three sides and one by one the points of vantage held by the federals were taken until a remnant of the defenders broke through to the southwest in the direction of Ensenada.

Federals Run Gauntlet.
Another party, driven from the Custom-House, where the last stand was made, raced through a hail of bullets made a dash for the line and reached it in safety. Among these is Lieutenant Guerrero, of the Mexican forces. While the battle was in progress, the rest of the rebel force of 250 men held the passes to Tecate and Ensenada.

In their advance on the town the rebels burned an old church building and shot down its defenders as they dashed through the flames. Three or four men were killed or wounded here. The federals in the trenches at the south end of town were driven into the bull ring, and rebels, with reckless courage, set the bull ring on fire after several attempts. The federals in the bull ring, numbering about 15, broke through to the south and are believed to be making their way to Ensenada. Prior to the attack on the bull ring a building that obstructed the fire of the rebels was burned.

The capture of the Custom-House was effected by 15 rebels who arrived from Tijuana this morning, went down the river bed between the Mexican town and the American line, and in doing so secured a position in the rear of the Custom-House. The adobe building, no longer tenable, was deserted by the federals, and the race for the schoolhouse through a gauntlet of bullets was begun.

Rebel Leader Killed in Skirmish.
The battle was preceded by a skirmish last night between a federal flanking party of 40 men and the rebels, who drew the enemy into a trap and practically exterminated them. A federal scout, who had been successful in securing a position in the rear of the Custom-House, and his negro aide were killed. Scouts sent out from town found no trace of the federal party and returned with the report that the rebels had probably retreated. In consequence no guards were posted and the attack this morning took the federals by surprise, allowing them no time to reach the trenches.

Conservative estimates of the dead and wounded on both sides place the number at 75, but the number may not be definitely known for two or three days. Out of a total of about 100 federals who were in Tijuana yesterday morning it is estimated that about 25 rebels, 12 succeeded in making their way to the American line, where they surrendered to the United States troops. The remainder are in the main street of Tijuana. Two of them were rebels and four federals. In the underbrush and behind rocks are more wounded and dead men.

Red Cross Cares for Wounded.
The wounded are being brought in as fast as they are found, and cared for by an American Red Cross party under the direction of Dr. James Jackson. Red Cross physicians in San Diego, Cal. With Dr. Jackson are Mrs. F. J. Smith and R. O. Shelton, also of San Diego. Other members of the Red Cross are with the three physicians and are taking care of the wounded. The wounded now number 16, and two of them will die. At the camp of the American troops, half a mile distant, there are ten other wounded men, all rebels.

So far efforts to learn the names of the dead and wounded have failed, for the reason that the wounded men are reluctant to reveal their identity. The leader of the rebels, General Sam Pryce, has succeeded to command when Captain Sam Woods was killed last night, will, as yet, make no statement regarding the losses.

Following is an unofficial list of wounded, most of whom are members of the rebel band: Bruce Hudson, Gus Schwartz, Monroe McKinney, Henry King, F. J. Collins, James Dunne and L. A. Wilcox. All of these men are being cared for by American troops at the line.

Rebels Prepare for Defense.
The rebel leader was busy engaged today in strengthening the defenses. Recruiting parties have been sent out towards Ensenada and Tecate and a strict watch has been established on all trails from the south. Americans are invited to visit the town and storekeepers will be asked, it is said, to open their stores and to contribute to the rebel cause in Lower California.

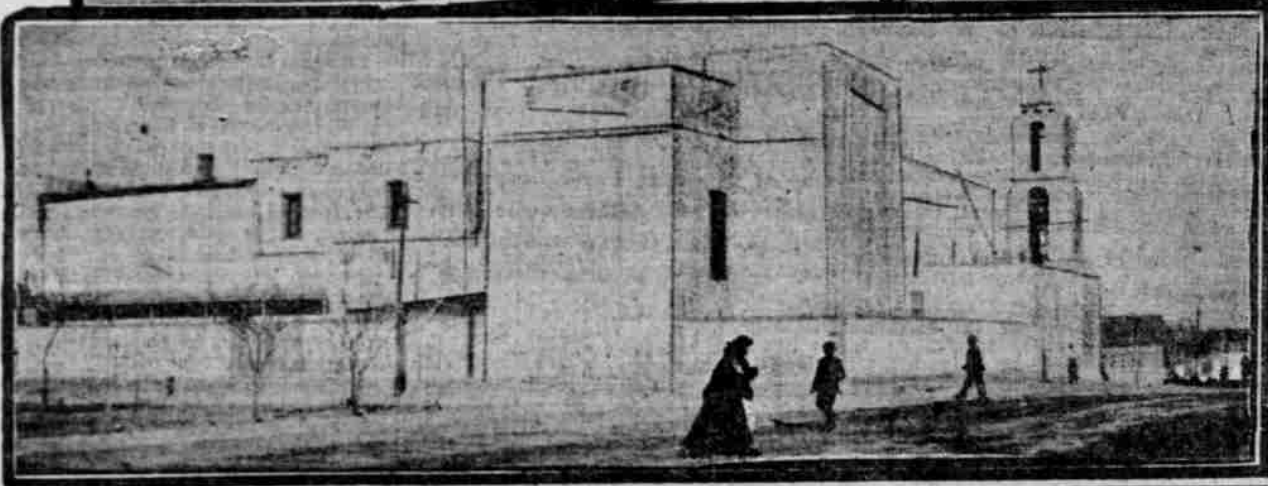
General Pryce would say nothing today regarding a movement toward Ensenada, like he did not like the prospect of the federal troops on the Colorado River moving toward either Tijuana or Ensenada. Five hundred Mexican troops are said to be on the river, guarding the work being done by the United States Government.

Gaynor Still Suffers From Wound.
NEW YORK, May 9.—Almost the first statement that Mayor Gaynor has made since he was shot at Hoboken is given in an open letter written in reply to certain criticisms of his attitude toward the proposed new city charter. "In my miserably impaired physical condition," says the Mayor, "I have not been able to take the part in the drafting of the new city charter which I had hoped to take. It was nip-and-tuck to keep on my feet that winter. I must bear with things as best I can until good weather restores me. I am conscious of my shortcomings and of how much I have tried the patience of every one, but I have done the best I could to stick to the job."

SCENES IN JUAREZ, MEXICO, WHERE BATTLE RAGED THROUGHOUT YESTERDAY.



CUSTOM HOUSE, JUAREZ



CATHOLIC CHURCH AT JUAREZ

JUAREZ IS SCENE OF DEADLY FIGHT

Rebels Take Open Town, but Federals Hold Fortified Buildings.

Battle will be renewed.

Hostilities cease while wounded are collected—Five Americans killed, 15 wounded by stray bullets crossing line.

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lets, which penetrated thru walls and windows. The town itself is quiet tonight, except for occasional rifle shots. Bullets crossed the Rio Grande to the American side today, but the casualties were few, owing to the efforts of the United States troops, who have kept everybody several hundred yards back from the river front.

Reports were current during the battle, the rebels maneuvering about to draw the federals from their fortifications. The mortars of the government troops kept up a deafening fire for several hours, but without any more effect than to prevent the rebels from swooping down upon them from the foothills west of the town.

The insurgents' artillery is of little value. The revolutionists accomplished more destruction while within Juarez by tossing dynamite bombs wherever they thought federals were concealed. One of these bombs is believed to have fired the Postoffice.

Reports were current during the day that rebel chiefs, as well as federals, had been killed or injured. For a time it was believed that Colonel Garibaldi, grandson of the famous Italian soldier, commanding the American legion of insurgents, had been injured, but tonight he was seen going about among his place of safety.

Colonel Villa, a rebel chief, commands the most of the rebels who are gathered about the church and bullpen. While Colonel Blanco with about 300 men has taken up a position in the shrubbery near the foothills, ready to meet any flank movements.

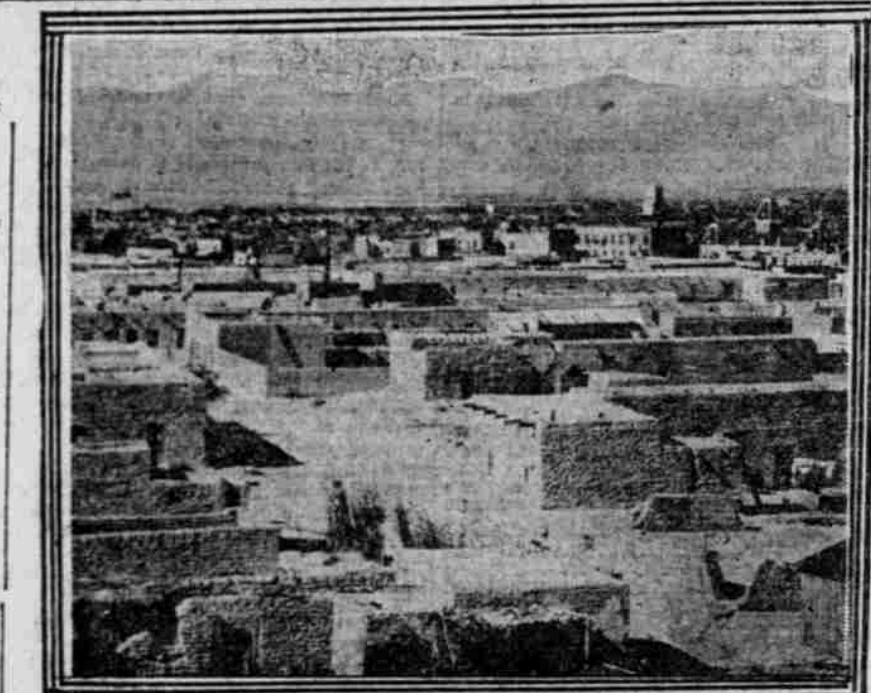
General Francisco L. Madero, Jr., leader of the rebels, observed the progress of the battle from a distance. He used powerful field glasses and gave shouts of exultation at the advance of the insurgents. When one detachment of insurgents deliberately ran across the plain in direct fire of the federals to effect an attack which might draw the federals from the church, General Madero became eager to go to the front and thrust himself into the battle, but his officers restrained him.

The insurgents probably control the river front and are aiding refugees, especially women and children, in reaching a place of safety. They seized many stores and procured food in the houses in which they quartered themselves. Both sides are said to have sufficient ammunition and provisions to last at least a week in fighting like that of today, but it would cause no surprise if the rebels captured the town in another day's fighting.

Some of the enthusiastic rebel political leaders in El Paso, who thought Juarez practically taken, communicated to General Navarro, suggesting that he surrender the town in the interest of humanity. The gray-haired old general smiled and continued to give orders to his staff. He was reported to have been seen walking about the street directing the fighting, but the insurgents deny this.

The rebels have orders not to shoot him, but they hope greatly to take him prisoner. They tried hard today to locate the general and tonight one detachment of insurgents is planning to capture the federal commander tomorrow.

The decision to attack was made



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Merchants of Their Race in San Francisco Say Privileged Classes Ill-Treated.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—Declaring that treaties between China and the United States are being violated daily, that President Taft has failed to carry out his promise of an investigation of the Immigration Commission in its dealings with Chinese immigrants and that the rights of Chinese entering the United States are disregarded daily, six members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, with representatives of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, prepared a memorial today to be sent to the President.

That the continuance of the present methods eventually will greatly endanger commercial relations between the two countries is the substance of the communication. It is charged that the Immigration Commission has delayed Chinese of the exempt classes including students and merchants with their wives and children, in their transit through the United States.

The harshness of the administration of the laws by the Immigration Commissioners is referred to as having practically caused the cessation of travel of Chinese subjects in the United States.

Clarkson Dye, an attorney representing various Chinese bodies, addressed the meeting at which the memorial was prepared.

"Congress has pledged the honor of the Nation to protect these people," he said, "and yet every promise and obligation of humanity, of justice and common decency, has been violated."

A committee of three members of the local Chamber of Commerce, with Captain Robert Dollar as chairman, indorsed the memorial.

RIOT SPOILS CELEBRATION

Striking Miners Fight When Police Order Parade Dispersed.

GREENSBURG, Pa., May 9.—One man was fatally injured and a number seriously hurt in a riot which marked the observance of miners' day in this vicinity today. All the injured are strikers.

The strikers were marching to Greensburg to hear an address by J. H. White, the president of the union. When ordered by state troopers and police to disperse, they refused and the fight followed.

Astoria Centenary Stamps Asked.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—Representative Lafayette concluded his testimony, the argument was made, the judge delivered his charge and the case went to the jury.

"NO SURRENDER" NAVARRO'S REPLY

Commander of Juarez Says He Will Die First, When Madero Demands.

HOPE OF RELIEF EXISTS

Columns of Rabago and Escudero Approach—Peace Terms Made Between Government and Figueroa, Southern Chief.

MEXICO CITY, May 9.—"I will die before I will surrender. So long as I have soldiers to defend my position in Juarez, I will not deliver the city to the rebels." With these words General Navarro today closed his report to the Department of War on the battle at Juarez. He declared this to be the message returned to Madero in reply to his demand for the surrender of the city.

Government officials are confident he will succeed in holding the city until the arrival of the columns of Rabago from Terrazas and Gordillo Escudero from Mulato, but if Juarez were to fall, the government considers it would be but a minor incident, and that the place would be retaken.

Peace Made in Guerrero.
Announcement was made today that a tentative peace agreement had been entered into between the government and the rebels of Guerrero.

Professor Francisco Figueroa, brother of Ambrosio Figueroa, ranking rebel leader in the south, who captured Iguala last week, today left the capital to notify him of his success in negotiating terms. Professor Figueroa is confident his brother and his followers will accept them.

The rebels do not consent to forsake the Madero movement, however, and reserve the right to fight in his name, should he march southward and demand their services.

Menace to Capital Removed.
The rebels now operating in Morelos and threatening the City of Cuernavaca are for the most part Guerrero men and under the orders of General Ambrosio Figueroa. If the terms agreed upon prevail, these men will be returned to their own state, leaving Cuernavaca unmenaced. It was from this quarter that Mexico City appeared to be in danger. They number 6000 well-armed men.

The fiasco at Juarez has not served to make the public eager to accept talk of peace in any quarter. It is pointed out that the man who conducted the negotiations is not one of the active participants in the field and doubt was expressed as to the ability of the Figueroas to control their men.

A committee from the National Chamber of Commerce today asked the Department of War for permission to keep in their places of business arms of defense. The department is considering the request.

Durango May Be Lost.

With the exception of those in the district south of the capital, there appears to be increased activity by the rebel forces in all parts of the country. Meager reports reaching the capital from the states of Durango, Coahuila and Vera Cruz tell of fighting in the capital of the first state, in Torreón, Coahuila and in Tuxpan, a small port north of Vera Cruz.

The attack on Durango began yesterday, but because of the cutting of telegraph and telephone wires, it has been impossible to learn the outcome. The rebels, who are said to outnumber the federals two to one, are under the command of Luis Moya.

It is said the firing continued almost all of yesterday and that the federals responded spiritedly, but it is feared here the town may have been taken.

A brief message from Torreón says the

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