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ARMY REVOLTS AND CAPTURES MEXICO CITY

Rebels Hold Arsenal and Power Works; Madero Flees From Palace.

250 ARE KILLED IN STREETS

General Reyes Liberated, to Fall Soon Afterward, and Villar Is Wounded.

FELIX DIAZ LEADS FORCES

Virtual Control of Capital in Hands of Insurgents.

OFFICERS ARE EXECUTED

Public Square Dotted With Bodies of Dead and Wounded, Including Civilians Taken by Surprise, and Many Women.

DIPLOMATS LOOK TO DIAZ TO PROTECT FOREIGNERS.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 9.—President Madero was asked tonight by the diplomatic corps to say yes or no as to whether he could give protection to foreign residents. The President did not answer.

The diplomats then sent a message to General Diaz, notifying him that they would look to him to give such protection.

The total number killed is reported to be 250. Three Spaniards were killed.

An American, E. L. Ramsey, formerly of Galveston, was seriously wounded.

Stray bullets entered the embassy buildings.

MEXICO CITY, FEB. 10.—At an early hour this morning it was reported that President Madero and his family had fled from the capitol toward the Eastern coast. It also was rumored that all the members of the cabinet had resigned. Confirmation of these rumors could not be obtained.

Madero's decision to flee, it is said, followed the knowledge that General Blanquet, who had arrived with a small portion of his force, was unwilling to fight General Felix Diaz.

Since the arrival of Blanquet's force the bridges between the capital and Toluca have been burned.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Feb. 9.—The army rose in revolt today in Mexico City, took possession of the public buildings, shot down Federal adherents in the streets, released General Felix Diaz, leader of the Vera Cruz revolt, and General Bernardo Reyes, from prison, and, falling into line under the Diaz banner, virtually captured the Mexican capital.

At least 250 persons were killed in the street fighting that took place in the great public square and other parts of the city. Many of these were civilians, who were taken by surprise when the firing began. Several women were killed. The number of wounded is large.

Reyes Killed Early in Fight.

General Reyes himself was killed in front of the National Palace soon after being released. Following General Reyes' death, his son, Rodolfe, shot himself through the head, dying instantly. Grief over his father's death was the cause. He was a well-known attorney. General Villar, a loyalist, was wounded. Colonel Morelos, prominent among the federal leaders, was slain.

General Gregorio Ruiz, a federal officer, two captains and three lieutenants were executed in the patio of the National Palace. It is officially reported that this was by orders of the government, but another story is that they were killed by a detachment of their own men because they opposed their joining in the revolt. Added to this is the report that these mutinous troops were overpowered and disarmed.

Madero Besieged in Palace.

Francisco Madero, President of the Republic, led the loyal troops for a time. Later, with members of his Cabinet, he took refuge in the National Palace, where they were besieged, but with some loyal troops at their backs they succeeded in defending the palace from the assaults of the revolutionists. The President fortified himself in the palace, while General Felix Diaz, with a large majority of the regulars behind him, has virtual control of the capital.

President Madero and his Ministers

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WOMAN'S POWER FELT AT CAPITOL

LEGISLATION THEY FAVOR PASSES EASILY.

When Portland Schoolteachers Appear, All Opposition to Civil Service Bill Fades.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—The influence of woman-with-the-ballot over mere man has been amply illustrated during the present session of the Legislature.

Every measure that apparently had the sanction of the women of the state has gone sliding through either house as if on greased skids.

The minimum wage bill, designed to aid women and minor workers, went through the Senate with the same ease as it would have been defeated two years ago. The widows' pension bill found only one dissenting voice in the two houses.

Perhaps no more striking illustration of the deadly influence of the female of the species can be found in the passage of the teachers' civil service bill which affects Multnomah County alone.

Despite the strenuous opposition that had appeared against the bill, and a charge that the bill would bring dire results, and in spite of the fact that a number of the Senators were on the verge of voting against the bill, the feminine contingent of Portland school teachers appearing at the pyschological moment swept all before it, and not a Senator could muster sufficient courage to cast an adverse vote.

It was something probably unduplicated in the annals of Oregon Legislatures.

Numerous women lobbyists have been here during the session. Time was when, save for spasmodic appearance of delegations of women, Dr. Owens-Adair was about the only consistent lobbyist before Oregon Legislatures. This year the halls have been full of them.

PORTLAND LAD IS HONORED

Prescott Cookingham Supplants Harvard Man in Scholarship.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Prescott W. Cookingham, of Portland, who is associated with Robert W. Taft, son of President Taft, as co-editor of the Harvard Law Review, is one of the 21 men trained at outside colleges who are supplanting Harvard's own men in scholarships at Harvard Law School, capturing all but two of the editorships. The Harvard Crimson, the college daily, makes this assertion: "Cookingham was graduated from Princeton two years ago and will complete his law course next year."

The Crimson declares Harvard's own boys are falling far behind in scholarship. It points out that the editorships where regarded as a standard indication of scholastic mark have been won by the outsiders, who included the President's son, now editor-in-chief.

Furthermore this year's elections to the Law Review have fallen to ten second-year men, all of whom are outside graduates.

ADAMS AND NEWELL ACCUSED IN REPORT

Reclamation Service Is Called Incompetent.

REMOVAL TO BE DEMANDED

Appropriation Is Asked for Broad Investigation.

INDIAN AFFAIRS INVOLVED

Government Declared to Have Lost $6,747,396 on Salt River Project Alone—Newell Characterizes This as Absurd.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. — Charges of incompetence and maladministration of the reclamation service are made and an appropriation of $25,000 is requested for a Congressional inquiry that will deal broadly with reclamation projects, in a report that will be sent tomorrow to the House by the committee in Interior Departments expenditures.

The report recommends the removal from office during the pendency of the proposed inquiry of Assistant Secretary of the Interior Samuel Adams, and F. H. Newell and L. C. Hill, director and supervising engineer, respectively, of the reclamation service.

Officials Deny Allegations.

Interior Department officials, including Director Newell, flatly denied tonight the allegations in the printed report, which is unsigned, but which was given out by the committee with the statement that Representative Hensley, of Missouri, would present it tomorrow. Mr. Hensley is chairman of a sub-committee that has been investigating affairs of Indian tribes, whose interests in the Hensley report says, "are outrageously intermingled with the affairs of the reclamation service." Other members of the subcommittee were Representatives Callaway, of Texas, and Hanna, of North Dakota, since become Governor.

Discrimination Is Charged.

The report charges that "Newell and his associates" discriminated against the farmers and the corporations operating the canals and that the bondholders thereof "alone received attention from them on the Salt River project." It is alleged that as the reclamation act provides that only the estimated cost of construction may be re-

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GOVERNOR SUED FOR LIBEL

Levee Engineer Resents Charge of Incompetency in Floodtime.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 9.—Major M. J. Shackleford has filed suit for $100,000 damages against Governor Brewer of Mississippi in the Circuit Court here, charging libel.

Major Shackleford is chief engineer for the lower Yazoo levee board, a state body, and charges that Governor Brewer, in published statements, accused him of incompetency in handling the levee situation at Beulah, Miss. A break in the levee is resulting in the inundation of a large area in Mississippi.

MANY NEW BOARDS WANT RECOGNITION

Creation Would Swell Expense $1,000,000

MEMBERS VOW TO USE AXE

Salaries for Officials Prominent in Bills' Provisions.

SOME COMMISSIONS LIKED

Legislators Inclined Favorably to Only Such Measures as Apparently Are Needed—Eleven More Days of Work.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Included in the avalanche of bills which must be considered by the Legislature in the eleven more working days left are at least 15 providing for new boards or commissions besides bills asking for the creation of innumerable new offices or official positions.

Some of these bills asking for new boards or commissions also ask at the same time for appropriations so large as to bring the amount past the $1,000,000 mark.

The formidable array of measures of this class has aroused many members of the legislative assembly and they are vowing war on a majority of such bills.

Need Seen For Few of Boards.

Some of the commissions, however, are considered as imperative and good legislation, these including the commission to administrate the affairs of Oregon at the Panama-Pacific Exposition and the commission to have charge of the question of industrial insurance.

Among some of the more important commissions or boards asked for are a State Examining Board, a State Board of Plumber Examiners, to have also a State Sanitary Inspector as an attachment, a commission to investigate rural credits in European countries; a State Board of Accounting; numerous plans for state boards or commissions to have charge of the construction of state highways; a State Board of Music Examiners and a State Board of Bar Examiners, and the Minimum-wage Commission.

As to new official positions one bill would create Superior Judges and County Attorneys, which would add a

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ICE THREATENS TO BLOCK COLUMBIA

FIELDS MOVING DOWN RIVER ARE INCREASING.

Ferry Plying Between Vancouver and Hayden Island Tied up and May Cease Operations.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Fields of ice, which began coming down the Columbia River yesterday morning, are increasing, and today thousands of acres of ice floated past this city.

The ferry of the City of Vancouver, plying between this city and Hayden Island, was tied up on the Oregon shore last night, it being expected that a big gorge of ice would come down and keep the ferry from operating and marooning it if left on the north bank of the river, owing to a bend and the current. The ferry came over today at 6 o'clock for the first trip.

Hundreds of people, learning of the ice flow, visited the river today and took pictures.

It is probable that an ice blockade will form between banks tomorrow and a slight thickness of ice will hold it fast. Should the cold weather inland continue, the ferry may be stopped from running. While the temperature here is below freezing at night, it is colder in the section through which the Columbia River flows.

BORAH PLAN IS OFFERED

Consumers of Electric Power Would Receive It at Lower Rates.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 9. — (Special.)—Senator Borah today offered an amendment to the Connecticut River dam bill, proposing to allow the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix the rates to be charged by hydro-electric companies for power when such companies operate in more than one state.

The amendment specifically strikes out of the pending bill that provision which gives the Secretary of War authority to fix the charges and empowers him to apply the receipts from power privileges to river improvement, and inserts in lieu thereof a provision subjecting to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission any person or corporation engaged in transmitting hydro-electric power or current from one state to another, making such concerns common carriers, whose rates and rules shall be subject to the Commission's jurisdiction, as are the rates and rules of railroads, telegraph and express companies.

Senator Borah intends that under his plan consumers of electric current will get it at a much lower rate than will be possible if the rates are fixed by the War Department, primarily with a view to raising revenue for river improvement, as is proposed by the Connecticut River bill in its present form.

GLOVER TO KEEP UP SUIT

Son of Mrs. Eddy Declares He Did Not Authorize Dropping Contest.

LEAD, S. D., Feb. 9.—That he has not or will not withdraw his suit to contest the will of his late mother, Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy, the Christian Scientist leader, was the statement today of George W. Glover, of this city.

Glover declared most emphatically that he had never authorized his attorneys to abandon the contest, that he was investigating the reports from Boston to that effect, and if true, other steps would be taken at once to press the suit. He maintained he will get a portion of the estate, and says he is prepared to fight harder than ever.

MIRENE SAFELY OFF SPIT

Schooner Only Slightly Damaged Around Stern Post.

WHEELER, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—The schooner Mirene was pulled off the spit early today, and now is at the dock at Wheeler discharging cargo.

She is leaking around the stern post, and will have to be beached to make repairs. There is no damage to the cargo, and small damage to the stern post.

GRAFT IS TRACED TO HIGH OFFICIALS

Indictments Today Will Open Whitman's War.

ANNUAL TOLL IS $2,400,000

Police Captains Get Half and Inspectors Take Quarter.

PROTECTION WORK BARED

$600,000 Is Cut Three Ways Among Hotel Man and Representatives of Two Officeholders as Shown by Confessions.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Two million four hundred thousand dollars graft from gamblers, poolroom men and illegal resort keepers—$1,200,000 for the captains and their collectors, $600,000 for inspectors, $600,000 into the hands of one man and then cut again, divided into three parts, one for a hotel man, one for a man who represents an office holder, and the third for a man who presented himself for another official.

That is the "graft system" as District Attorney Whitman understands it today and that is the "system" upon which he begins his first actual legal battle tomorrow. Before nightfall he hopes to have made his first inroad by indictments against Police Inspectors Dennis, F. Sweeney and Police Captain Thomas W. Walsh.

Sweeney's Friends Active.

Walsh has already told that much and will tell more. Sweeney's representatives have already tried to intercede for the inspector and have received no satisfaction. The bargain that Sweeney must make will be a hard one. If he would save himself after indictment he will have to tell the name of the one man to whom he monthly turned over his share of $50,000, which all the inspectors had to deliver. If Sweeney consents, the circle, already cracked by the confession of Walsh, will be torn into segments and those protected will be disclosed. They are the men whom Whitman is after.

Nine indictments, and possibly ten, it was learned tonight, are expected to be returned by the grand jury tomorrow.

Whitman Busy All Day.

The District Attorney found no rest today. The air about him is now surcharged with hints. He promises that with just another little crack, another repentant captain, one repentant inspector, and he will have the graft system of the police department absolutely in his hands.

The latest report today is but a verification in another form of what William J. Burns told Whitman August 12, last year, when the Becker case was being run down. Burns then declared that money was going higher up and that the last handlers before it reached its final destination were a hotel-keeper, a lawyer-politician and, third, a minor official of the police department.

Whitman to "Go Higher."

The physician attending Captain Walsh reported tonight that his patient would be able to go to the District Attorney's office tomorrow where other witnesses also have been summoned.

Walsh is expected to add much to his confession of last week in which he implicated "men" higher up in the police department, and it is believed the testimony he will give tomorrow will result in the indictment of an inspector. With this indictment obtained, District Attorney Whitman will go "higher" according to intimations from his office, and an indictment against a civilian official at police headquarters may be looked for, it was said.

Through the confession of Captain Walsh, it has been learned, the amount alleged to have been collected from disorderly resorts alone for police protection in his precinct was about $1400 a month. This amount, it is alleged, Captain Walsh paid a patrolman $70 for collecting, and divided the remainder with an inspector. In the same inspection district were four other precincts from which the collections are declared to have been of equal or larger amounts. A part of this money is said to have found its way "higher up" but of the exact amounts nothing could be learned.

PEOPLE BLAMED BY WHITMAN

District Attorney Says Voters Are Careless in City Affairs.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9. — District Attorney Whitman, of New York, in an address here last night on the government of American cities, declared that the unwholesome conditions found to exist in municipalities are due to the people themselves in failing to elect officers to enforce the laws.

Mr. Whitman spoke before the American Academy of Political and Social Science. He pointed out that thousands of citizens go to the polls to vote for President, but fail to do their duty at municipal elections and are the most free in their denunciation of municipal corruption.

"We devise what we believe to be a correct plan of government," Mr. Whitman said, "and by our further in-

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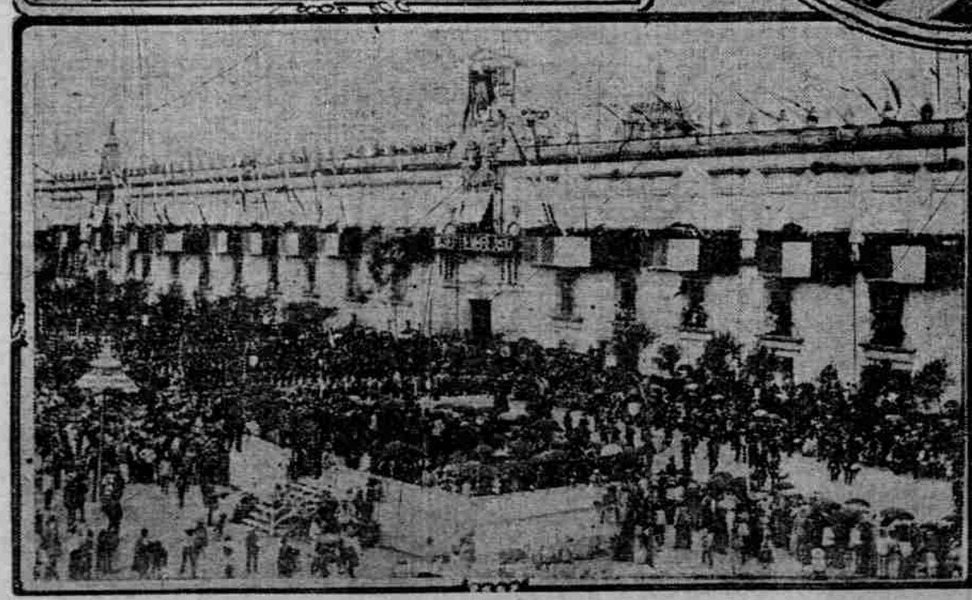
LEADING FIGURES IN LATEST MEXICAN CRISIS, AND PALACE WHERE MADERO IS SIEGED.



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Above—President Francisco Madero, With His Wife, and General Felix Diaz, Who After Being Released From Prison by Rebel Forces, Assumed Their Direction. Below—Mexican National Palace, Where Fighting Centered, Gustav Madero, Who Is Taken Prisoner by Rebels and General Bernardo Reyes, Who Was Slain in Battle After Being Released With Diaz From Prison by Rebels.