

HUERTA'S ADVISER
CORDIAL WITH LIND

Minister Jocularly Suggests
Settlement by Duel Between
Two Presidents.

PRECEDENT IS ASSERTED

Wilson's Envoy Meets Cabinet Officer
in Private Capacity and Is
Invited to Make Tour of
Country Under Guard.

MEXICO CITY, March 22.—John Lind, President Wilson's envoy, has made a trip of observation over that portion of the Mexican republic controlled by the federals as a result of his conference with Vera Cruz with the Mexican Foreign Minister, Jose Lopez y Rojas. The recommendation was made by the minister, who said that Mr. Lind appeared to be favorably impressed.

Senator Portillo y Rojas said that Mr. Lind called on him, but with the knowledge that he had no official character as regarded the interview. The Foreign Minister's conference with Mr. Lind will not have the effect of bringing about the resignation of President Huerta, the possibility of which has been discussed. This subject was not considered, according to a statement made by the minister tonight.

Private Character Maintained. "We talked at some length concerning the relations of our two countries," the minister said, "but entirely in the capacity of private persons. Mr. Lind understood that I brought no communication from President Huerta."

"If made no statement regarding the retirement of General Huerta from the presidency. I do not know that such a project ever has been considered."

"If Mr. Lind adopts the suggestion to travel about the country a special train will be put at his disposal and a guard furnished."

Discussing the martyrdom of the Mexican people, the Foreign Minister suggested jocularly to Mr. Lind the arrangement of a duel between President Wilson and President Huerta as a solution. He said that history furnished precedents for this.

"I should like Mr. Lind to make such a journey," the minister continued, "after which he could be grounded to the frontier and make a similar examination of conditions there. Mr. Lind did not promise to do so, but I was told that he was giving the matter serious consideration."

Huerta Does Not Know. Asked whether he had discussed the question of General Huerta's candidacy in the new elections, Senator Rojas said that he had inquired of President Huerta before leaving the capital as to what representation he should make with respect to this. President Huerta said: "Tell him that I don't know."

The foreign minister discussed freely with Mr. Lind President Wilson's attitude toward President Huerta. He told Mr. Lind he considered it unjust to martyrize the nation in consequence of the disappearance of one man.

Those having personal knowledge of the Vera Cruz conference appeared highly optimistic in the belief that it is the first step towards an agreement satisfactory to the Huerta government. Meanwhile Huerta's Finance Minister is working hard to organize a feasible plan to raise more money.

Dictator Full of Energy. Huerta seems to be full of energy and determined to carry out his plans of administration indefinitely. Almost every organization in the capital has been militarized, and the regular messenger boys being ordered to report for drill at fixed periods.

The cabinet officers have, the rank of Brigadier-Generals and the sub-secretaries have been appointed Colonels. Even the government employes in the government departments have been instructed to wear on their sleeves a red or white cross. The pupils of the public schools have been ordered to report in uniform, as well as their instructors, who hold the rank of Captain.

LITTLE BOY SEEKS SANTA

Policeman Picks Up Runaway Lad
at Union and Burnside.

Richard Meager, 4 years old, of 459 East Fourth street, North, was "just out looking for Santa Claus' house" last night, when Patrolman Huntington spied him at Union avenue and East Burnside streets. The lad made instant friends with the big policeman and admitted tearfully that his quest was vain and that he wanted his papa and mamma.

Papa Meager called police station on the telephone many times last night and finally, when he learned of his son's arrival at headquarters, appeared on the scene and took the sleeping youngster home.

TANGO HALTS FOR PRAYER

Salvation Army Workers Pay Visit
to Broadway Fun District.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Tango enthusiasts and devotees of the night life along Broadway were surprised last night when a band of Salvation Army men and women invaded the floors of some of the most popular dance establishments and begged the amusement seekers to stop and listen to a word about the serious side of life.

The joyful crowds did not appear a bit abashed, but listened in silence to the army songs and speeches and applauded liberally.

At all the places visited the religious workers were welcomed.

IDLE ARMY IS DWINDLING

Only 190 Men Sleep at Gipsy Smith
Tabernacle; 1400 Month Ago.

Dwindling steadily, the "idle army" registered at Gipsy Smith Tabernacle last night numbered 190 men. Supper was served to 250 men, who left the shelter of the building in search of a "flop." About 30 men applied for cots at the City Jail, where temporary quarters are provided for the unemployed and homeless.

One month ago there were over 1400 men cared for at the tabernacle.

COMPLAINT IS UP TO CITY
Charge Against Home Telephone
Company Referred by State.

SALEM, Or., March 22.—(Special).—The State Railroad Commission announced Saturday that it had referred the complaint of H. L. Christensen and others of Portland, against the Home Telephone & Telegraph Company to Will H. Daly, department of public utilities of that city.

The complainants allege that the company had violated the provisions of its municipal franchise by operating telephones manually instead of automatically, using iron wires in certain districts and having overhead instead of underground wires in others. The company admitted that there were about 100 telephones served by overhead wires in the district bounded by West Park, Thirteenth, Burnside and Irving streets, but said they were placed with the consent of the city.

Commissioner Aitchison wrote Mr. Daly that the jurisdiction for the enforcement of the franchise evidently was with the City Council and sent him

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