

FLETCHER PRAISES VERA CRUZ HEROES

Conspicuous Acts of Bravery Mentioned in Special Report of Battle.

MEN EFFICIENT AND COOL

Boatswain's Mate, Wounded Six Times, Inspires Comrades—Individual Acts of Great Service Are Recounted in Detail.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—Narratives of the bravery of enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps during the fighting at Vera Cruz on April 21 and 22 were included in Rear-Admiral Fletcher's report of the Mexican port's capture, made public today by the Navy Department. While the report bestows praise on the entire personnel, the following men were mentioned for conspicuous acts:

H. N. Nickerson, Wheeling, W. Va., boatswain's mate, second class, battleship Utah—Was slightly wounded three times April 21 and after first-aid bandages had been applied he took charge of a squad that built an advanced barricade under fire. He was again wounded three times, two shots shattering his left leg above and below the knee. He was then carried to the rear and has since had his leg amputated close to the knee. His grit after having been wounded three times and the courage he displayed when his later wounds made it necessary to carry him to the rear was an inspiration to all who saw him.

Small Squad Silences Poles. A. De Somer, Milwaukee, chief turret captain, battleship Utah—April 21 he was placed in charge of a small squad of men and stationed at a warehouse. His position was subject to a direct fire, and after several hours of well-directed fire he silenced it. April 22 he performed similar services and was almost continuously under fire from snipers. His services were of exceptional value.

J. G. Harner, Canton, O., boatswain's mate, battleship Florida—April 21 went into an alleyway down which a heavy fire was being directed. Harner finally succeeded in dislodging the enemy. J. Schumacher, Coxswain, one of the volunteers, was killed. Previous to this time Harner occupied a position alongside a wall of fire which he with accuracy and coolness, killed the crew of a Mexican machine gun operating in front of the Naval Academy.

G. Cregan, Port Richmond, N. Y., boatswain's mate, battleship Florida; H. C. Beasley, Newark, Ohio, and L. C. Bennett, seaman, battleship Florida—were the other volunteers who distinguished themselves with Harner.

Ensign Saved by Sailor. T. A. Decker, Lincolnville, N. Y., boatswain's mate, battleship Florida, saved Ensign G. M. Lowry by shooting a Mexican soldier about to kill Lowry.

C. F. Blesh, Pittsburg, quartermaster, second class; J. J. Schumacher, New York City, ordinary seaman. These were in a signal squad subjected to a constant fire in an unusually exposed position, but were not diverted from their important duty of keeping unbroken communication by signals with the Frigate.

N. Dustrup, Brooklyn, N. Y., chief turret captain, battleship Utah—For several hours he was in charge of an advanced barricade under a heavy fire, April 21, and he only directed his most able as a leader of men, but by his marked composure and courage he exerted a powerful influence on the men around him.

W. B. Weeks, Red Key, Ind., ordinary seaman, battleship Utah—Although one of the smaller struts of his company, he attracted the attention of his company officers when, exposed to a severe fire at close range, he set an example of coolness and bravery for others to follow.

Scouting Work of Value. R. Berton, New York City, boatswain's mate, second class, battleship Utah—Exposed to a constant fire, his work was of special value in locating the established positions of the Mexicans.

HUERTA MINISTER WHO SEEKS REFUGE IN UNITED STATES.



—Photo by Underwood & Underwood. DR. AURELIANO URUTIA.

GALVESTON, June 7.—(Special.)—Dr. Aureliano Urrutia, former Minister of the Interior in the Cabinet of Provisional President Huerta, of Mexico, after his arrival here aboard the transport Hanrock, with his wife and six children, has decided to remain in Galveston for an indefinite period.

Urrutia's decision to make his home in the United States, there comes a report from Mexico City that his friends are concerned over the disappearance of his eldest daughter, who, with several other children, was left behind in the capital when Dr. Urrutia fled to Vera Cruz. It is feared that she has been sacrificed in execution of her father's sanguinary deeds by kinsmen of persons who suffered death because they opposed Huerta and Urrutia.

according to persons arriving here today from General Carranza's headquarters. It was not, however, with any intention of blocking General Villa's movements to the south.

An entire company of the Arrieta soldiers was defeated in a skirmish with ten of Nater's men at the general investment of Zacatecas, said those from the front. Fearing that this internal rivalry among the constitutionalist soldiers might cause more serious trouble, General Carranza made the appointment, it was explained.

Constitutionalist agents here announced today that General Carranza had spent Sunday at Paredon. It was said the rebel commander-in-chief would make his entry tomorrow into Saltillo, his former state capital, where it is expected he will establish his provisional government and issue soon after his arrival an answer to the latest note of the mediators at Niagara Falls, Canada.

At the same time Carranza is expected to make a proclamation regarding the reorganization of the rebel government which may have some bearing on the international situation.

NIAGARA FALLS, June 7.—It is difficult to see how another rupture between Huerta and the United States can be avoided. If one occurs the belief is that the mediation proceedings cannot continue.

The American commissioners did not reflect the gravity of the situation, professing to be uninformed that a crisis had been reached. Tampico is the center of interest because of the situation in which the United States has been placed by Huerta's determination to blockade that port to stop the landings of munitions for war for rebels.

Any interference by the United States may cause General Huerta to withdraw his delegates from the Niagara Falls conference. The situation arose as a result of a note of inquiry from General Huerta through his delegates here as to what the attitude of the United States was toward the port of Tampico.

Justice Lamar and Fred W. Lehmann, the American delegates, referred the inquiry to Washington and the information was given the mediators that the United States had taken the position that Tampico was open to the commerce of the world. This attitude had been assumed immediately after the rebels seized Tampico in order to prevent the shipment of munitions to all parts of the world.

It had been thought that General Huerta's gunboats might interfere with these oil shipments, in his desire to hamper the constitutionalists from obtaining revenues.

SPRODE OF ROYALTY

Man Who Says He Just Wanted to Show It Could Be Done Found in Buckingham.

OFFICIAL LONDON SHAKEN

One Who "Might Have Been Assassin" Wanders for Hour Through Rooms and Once Is Near to Apartment of Queen Mary.

LONDON, June 7.—Royal circles, as well as pretty much all official London were shaken today by the discovery of a young man who gave his name as Harry Pike, in Buckingham Palace, where the royal family spent Sunday. In the early hours of the morning Pike entered the palace, as he explained afterward, to prove that France could be effected. Once he was near the Queen's apartment. He was finally discovered, however, and overpowered in the servant's quarters.

He will be arraigned tomorrow on a charge of having been found on enclosed premises for unlawful purposes. The servant's quarters show that Pike is connected with the woman suffrage movement.

Pike was ignorant of the interior of the palace and climbed into a basement window on the north side of the building, where Queen Mary has her apartment. He entered several rooms and in one changed his clothing, which was torn and soiled through scaling the wall and crawling along the driveway to reach the palace building. The suit he changed for his own belonged to a servant.

The exploit of Pike caused great alarm also abroad, for it is a decided criticism of the system of guarding the palace and the lack of precautions which permitted a stranger, who might have been an assassin, to wander for more than an hour through a royal residence.

PAINCARE IS OUTWITTED

RADICALS MANEUVER PRESIDENT INTO HARD POSITION.

Two More Refuse to Underwrite Formation of Cabinet Veteran Feels Ribot to Reply Today.

PARIS, June 7.—The ministerial crisis was not, however, today as ever, despite the strenuous efforts of President Poincare.

The exceptional difficulty in finding a premier is not, however, today due to the skillful maneuvers of the Radical followers of Joseph Caillaux against the president, but to the object either of forcing him to resign or to capitulate to them. President Poincare, it is said, is resolved to do neither.

Paul Descombes, minister of the interior, Delcasse both having refused to form a ministry, President Poincare today called on Jean Dupuy, a former premier, to form a cabinet. Dupuy, however, declined the portfolio of the Premier. These men also declined and finally, after consultations with Etienne Clementel, cabinet minister, and Louis Doumergue, head of the government which resigned last week, M. Poincare asked Ribot to form a cabinet.

Ribot, however, declined to undertake the task. M. Ribot promised to give his answer tomorrow, but it is expected he will establish whether a Ribot government would survive long. Ribot's republicanism is of the conservative kind and likely to arouse the hostility of the Radicals.

MEXICAN CRISIS IS ACUTE

(Continued from First Page.) Panuco River about 5 A. M. tomorrow. Tacoma and Sacramento following in observation.

When this report reached Washington it was communicated to the President. Secretary Daniels hastened to check the report, but denied himself to interviewers. Neither would Secretary Bryan make a statement, nor was there official information obtainable at the White House.

American ships now at Tampico are the battleship Minnesota, outside the Panuco River, and the monitor Oaxak, in the river. These vessels, however, would be more than adequate to cope with any situation that might arise in view of the proposed blockade.

GUNBOATS PASS VERA CRUZ

Minor Annoyances by Frankish Mexican Soldiers Continue.

VERA CRUZ, June 7.—The gunboats Zarazosa and Bravo passed here early today bound north, followed by American warships which have orders to keep them under watch. If the American have instructions to prevent interference with the Antilla, General Funston has no knowledge of them.

Minor annoyances attributed to Mexican outposts continue. The telephone line connecting Vera Cruz and the Tajar region was short-circuited Friday night, apparently in a spirit of mischief. The Signal Corps operators reported last night that some one was tapping the line to Tajar. The line is wholly within the American sphere, although not guarded throughout its length of nine miles. The authorities view this as the pranks of irresponsible soldiers.

Several parties of mounted men were seen today by the American northern outpost. A squad of eight men galloped to within 200 yards of the American pickets.

Mayo Shifts His Flag. WASHINGTON, June 7.—Rear-Admiral Badger cabled the Navy Department tonight that Rear-Admiral Mayo had shifted his flag to the battleship Minnesota, which is stationed just outside the Panuco River at Tampico.

It was assumed that the Admiral desired to be on hand for the arrival of the Huerta gunboats due at the mouth of the river tomorrow morning to attempt a blockade of the port.

REPLY MADE TO WHITE

OSTEOPATHS ISSUE STATEMENT IN VAN BRACKLE CONTROVERSY.

Association Officials Protest State Board Has No Right to Ignore Clackamas Osteopathic Health Officer.

At a meeting of officers of the Oregon Osteopathic Association yesterday afternoon, convened in preparation for the annual meeting this week, they took under consideration the statement of Dr. Calvin S. White with reference to Dr. J. A. van Brackle, County Health Officer of Clackamas County, who is an osteopathic physician.

Dr. D. D. Young, of McMinnville, president; Dr. F. E. Moore and Dr. L. B. Howland, of Portland, with Dr. H. White, of Salem, as trustees, made a statement. It follows in part: "Referring to the statement of Dr. van Brackle is not qualified to act and where he quotes the opinion of the Attorney-General that an osteopathic physician cannot hold legally the position of county health officer, it will be found that this opinion is based upon an old, antiquated case which was later overruled."

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WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Wife of Portland Chef Made Dependent by Illness. SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—(Special.)—Mrs. Caroline Kutsch, wife of George Kutsch, chef at a Portland grill, attempted suicide tonight by shooting herself through the left breast. She

women that most drug stores throughout the United States carry "Mother's Friend" as one of their staple and reliable remedies. It is applied to the tender muscles to relieve the strain on ligaments and tendons.

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JUNE 10, 11 AND 12. ELECTRIC TRAIN, PORTLAND TO McMINNVILLE, via Newberg, leaving Fourth and Yamhill, 11:10 P. M.

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Friday Night, June 12. night train will be extended through to Albany and Corvallis, making all stops. Tickets on sale from all points on the S. P. south of Roseburg including Klamath Falls, June 7 to 10, from Roseburg and all points north; also from points on the P. & E. C. & E. S. P. C. & W. and P. R. & N. June 7 to 12 inclusive.

Final return limit all points June 16. John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Ore.

is at the Central Emergency Hospital in a critical condition. For some time Mrs. Kutsch's health has been poor and dependency over her physical condition caused her to seek under consideration the statement of Dr. Calvin S. White with reference to Dr. J. A. van Brackle, County Health Officer of Clackamas County, who is an osteopathic physician.

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