REPLY TO HUERTA

Fact of Neutrality Regarded as Re flection on Patriotism-Constitutionalists Declared to Be Dominant Force.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., June 18 .-The American delegates to the Mexican conference made public tonight a statement issued with the consent of the Washington Government, in reply to the statement given out last night the Mexican delegation criticising the American plan for the establishment of a provisional government in Mexico with a constitutionalist at its

head.
Suggestions that President Wilson had any intent to destroy the electoral liberty of Mexico are "utterly repudiated" by the American representatives. The statement covers the whole range of criticism made by the Huerta delegates.

United States Unyleiding.

Coming on the eve of the full con-ference tomorrow of mediators and delegates, at which is to be deter-mined whether there is any chance of an agreement through mediation for a settlement of the Mexican problem, the statement stirred the mediation colony. It was interpreted as fore-shadowing the unalterable and un-yielding position of the United States in future parleys. The statement says:

The American representatives ut terly repudiate any suggestions that the American President has any intent of destroying the electoral liberty of Mexico and insists that the Mexican Mexico and insists that the Mexican representatives entirely misunderatood the motives and objects of the President, who recognizes the facts and sees in the past success of the constitutionalist army indisputable evidence of the approval of the Mexican people. But he also sees that the full triumph of that army means an indefinite continuance of the war, with suffering and bloodshed and death which every war involves. war involves.

"Only Practical Means" Refused. "These consequences the President seeks to prevent through mediation, but we greatly fear that the language of the Mexican note implies that his efforts may be thwarted because of unwillingness to have a constitutionalist as a President, even though that promises the only practicable means by which the horrors of war can be prevented.

"The American Government seeks only to assist in securing the pacification of Mexico. It has no special interest in the method or in the person by which that great end is to be accomplished, and if it presses for any particular method or for the selection of a particular type of man it is only because it believes them to be the only means to the desired end. American objections to the plan approved by the Mexican representatives have been based upon the profound conviction that the adoption of the plan would not stop the progress of the victorious tarmy nor bring that speedy peace which the American Government so sincerely desires.

Constitutionalist Assent Needful.

"It would be easy at this conference to write on agreement which has a green and at the same time convey the information that the adoption of particular type of man it is only because it believes them to be the only means to the desired end. American between the success to bring the tarny into complete scored.

The basis for this, it is expected, will be found in the recognition of Villa's complete control over the constitutional of the new central sone.

Carranza said the forces of General Obregon, in the west, and General Obregon, in the west, and General Obregon, in the cast, would work independently of General Villa's troops.

The constitutionalist commander conducted by saying that the misunderstandings between himself and Villa had been adjusted by Carranza given himself and villa had been adjusted by Carranza given himself and villa had been adjusted by Carranza given here, that the difficulty between himself and villa had been adjusted by Carranza given here, that the same time convey the information that the s

"It would be easy at this conference west coast of Mexico, near Acapulco, on the charge of being implicated in the most excellent of plans and the most excellent of men are accepted by the constitution." by the constitutionalists we would only have a paper plan, perfect in form and just in expression but wholly ineffective to secure peace in war-worn Mexico. To bring that war to a close.

WHILA DENIES CHANGED POLICY

EL PASO, Tex., June 18.—The split between Carranza and Villa has been complete, it was learned tonight on Mexico. To bring that war to a close, to restore peace and constitutionalist government, is the aim of the President, and that end can only be attained by consulting the just wishes of the constitutionalists, who are now the dominant force in the country.

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"If those selected by the mediators to administer the provisional government have the confidence of the constitutionalists, a long step will have been taken towards the pacification of Mexico without furnishing any occasion for alarm to those Mr. Rebasa represents, for if the plan is accepted by both Huerta and Carranza, the cessation of arms follows and provisional government is established to maintain order and to call an election at which every qualified voter may cast his ballot for President of his choice; while if the plan indorsed by the Mexican representatives should be adopted and a neutral should be chosen, we should have secured no practical results, but still be confronted with the insurmountable fact that the constitutionalists, now almost completely triumphant, would reject the plan, repudiate the man and press forward with renewed zeal to Mexico City with all the less of blood and life that may involve.

"Neutral" Man Not Patriet.

"In reference to the suggestion that the Provisional President should be neutral, it is said that it is manifest that in such a contest as has been waged in Mexico for years it is not only fair but necessary to assume that every intelligent man of any prominence is at heart on one side or the other, and the country might well question the patriotism of any Mexican who has been colorless in such a contest, and

the country might well question the patriotism of any Mexican who has been colorless in such a contest, and as the Provisional P-esident must be to some extent identified with one party or the other, it necessarily follows that to meet the requirements of the presto meet the requirements of the pres-

ent situation his sympathies, which really mark the means, must be with the dominant element.

"The effort, therefore, should be not to find a neutral, but one whose attitude on the controlling issues would make him acceptable to the constitutional little while his character attention."

rionalists, while his character, standing and conduct would make him acceptable to the other party.".

The note urges an election supervised by representatives of both partles.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Officials of the Washington Government tonight characterized the Mexican situation as

extremely delicate. This comment referred particularly to the mediation conference, which will be resumed to-morrow at Niagara Valls, but t also applied to the conditions in Northern Mexico growing out of the action of General Villa in insisting he should have complete military control in the cambals against General Huerts.

burned.

The new officers are: George P. Topping, Mayor; E. B. Kausrud, Recorder; Councilmen, H. C. Dippel, L. P. Sorenson, Steve Gallier, F. H. Chatburn, C. R. Moore and J. W. Mast.

New Office Has Postmaster.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-

paign against General Huerts.

Hope for the success of mediation, however, was by no means abandoned. according to persons in close touch with the Administration, and this hope

PLY TO HUERTA

BELEGATES MADE

was said to be based largely on the developments in the constitutionalist ranks, the view being held here that internecine squabbles among Carranza's followers had been nipped and that this enhanced the chance that an agreement would be reached upon a provisional president of Mexico and that internal Mexican hostilities might

Plan That Fails to Secure
Rebel Support Declared Valueless to End War.

We was reported here, might at the last minute yield to someone suggested by the United States, even if he bore the stamp of the constitutionalist, in order to hold up the military campaign against Mexico City. With Villa as commander-in-chief of the military operations against Huerta, such a culmination was declared to be possible.

ZONE TO HIMSELI

nates. While not declaring that he is not under Carranza's orders. Villa is known to have told his chief that he will take the central strip of country leading to Mexico City, while Carranza's other divisional commanders can do likewise down the east and west consists.

est coasts.
According to this arrangement, there Two Governments in North

Probable Result of Rebel

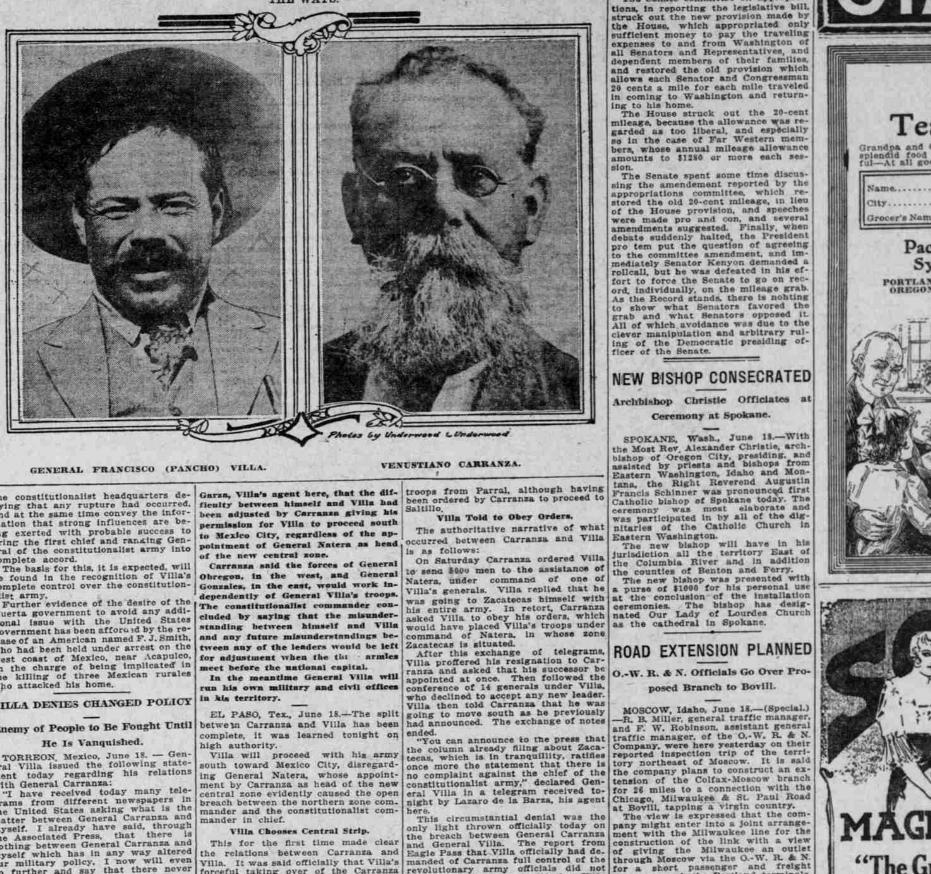
Leaders' Difference.

According to this arrangement, there would be two distinct governments, both military and civil, in the nerthern half of Mexico held by the revolutionists. One would be Villa's strip, where not only his military leaders but his own appointed civil officials would hold office. The other would be that directed by Carranza in his capacity as military and political chief of the movement, from his capital at saltillo.

alist, in order to hold up the military campaign against Mexico City. With Villa as commander-in-chief of the military operations against Mexico City. With Villa as commander-in-chief of the military operations against Mexico City. With June 1 of the chief subject discussed in official quarters and also among the agents of General Carranza in Washington, was the action of General Villa in Chihuahua, Information reaching officials here with respect to the arrest of constitutionalist officials there by Villa's order was to the effect that Villa acted strictly within his authority. It was asserted that Villa acted, not as a General subordinate to Carranza, but in his capacity as Governor of the State of Chihuahua.

Official reports from the south refer to the formal statements issued from CONSTITUTIONALIST PRESIDENT. AND CONSTITUTIONALIST PRESIDENT.

CONSTITUTIONALIST PRESIDENT AND COMMANDING GENERAL, WHO HAVE COME TO PARTING OF



GENERAL FRANCISCO (PANCHO) VILLA.

He Is Vanquished.

TORREON, Mexico, June 18. — General Villa issued the following state

PROGRESSIVE OFFICERS CHOSEN. CITY TO BE REBUILT.

Electors Vote to Purchase Water System for \$46,500 and Pay One-Mill Tax to Support of Public Library.

BANDON, Or., June 18.—(Special.)—
The election here yesterday for municipal officers and on city measures
resulted in a clean sweep for the propressive element. The electors voted to
purchase the Bandon water system at
a price of \$45,500 and also to devote
a one-mill tax to the support of the
nublic library.

wised by representatives of both parties, and adds that "all the influence the United States can legitimately use will be exerted to secure an honest election."

WASHINGTON BEGINS TO DOUBT

Mediation Regarded as Being Now in Critical Situation.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Officials of the Washington Government tonight characterized the Mexican situation as

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 18.—Louis A. Le Miller was appointed postmaster today at the new postoffice known as Verboort, Washington County, near Forest Grove.

Democrats Put Over Deal in Senate Killed in House.

KENYON FIGHTS SCHEME

Evasion of Roll Call Demand and Rulings of President Tribute to Clever Planning and Acting Out of Parts Assigned.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 18.—The "mileage grab," which was carefully eliminated from the legislative appropriation bill by the House of Representatives about two months ago, was cleverly slipped back into the bill by the Senate, and the same manner of accomplishing this change would have done credit to the master hand at legislative trickery,

ex-Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island. The Senate committee on appropriations, in reporting the legislative bill, struck out the new provision made by the House, which appropriated only sufficient money to pay the traveling expenses to and from Washington of all Senators and Representatives, and dependent members of their families, and restored the old provision which allows each Senator and Congressman 20 cents a mile for each mile traveled in coming to Washington and returning to his home.

The House struck out the 20-cent mileage, because the allowance was regarded as too liberal, and especially so in the case of Far Western members, whose annual mileage allowance amounts to \$1230 or more each session. The Senate committee on appropria-

The Senate spent some time discussing the amendement reported by the appropriations committee, which restored the old 20-cent mileage, in lieu stored the old 20-cent mileage, in lieu of the House provision, and speeches were made pro and con, and several amendments suggested. Finally, when debate suddenly halted, the President pro tem put the question of agreeing to the committee amendment, and immediately Senator Kenyon demanded a rollcall, but he was defeated in his effort to force the Senate to go on record, individually, on the mileage grab. As the Record stands, there is nothing to show what Senators favored the grab and what Senators opposed it. All of which avoidance was due to the clever manipulation and arbitrary ruling of the Democratic presiding officer of the Senate.

complete, it was learned tonight on high authority. entermined to the column already filing about Zacating General Natera, whose appoints once more the statement that there is no complaint against the chief of the constitutionalist combreach between the northern zone combraid mander and the constitutionalist combrand in chief. This for the first time made clear the relations between Carranza and Villa It was said efficially that Villa's forceful taking over of the Carranza offices at Juarez was only a step in a general plan to remove all Carranza offices at Juarez was only a step in a general plan to remove all Carranza combressed in the territory Villa domi-Charley, old bal, we INSTRUCTION FREE left Portland without The latest machine a bean. Can't you loan RESISTO me a ten shot on the Sixteen latest dance records and eight other selections -- including bub. He's a genuine the new dance instruction records Parisian mush hounds

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