

FLETCHER'S STORY OF VERA CRUZ TOLD

Official Report of Occupation of Mexican Seaport Is Made Public.

CRUISERS' WORK PRAISED

Successive Steps in Seizing Strategic Points and Quelling Opposition Related in Unornamented Narrative.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Rear-Admiral Fletcher's own story of the occupation of Vera Cruz is told in the detailed report of the Navy's operations on the east coast of Mexico, published today by the Navy Department.

The report tells of Admiral Fletcher's receipt of the historic cablegram on the morning of April 21 ordering him to seize the Vera Cruz customs-house; of the swift descent of marines and bluejackets from the American warships on the port and the fighting that occurred when they met with resistance from the Mexican federal soldiers and irregulars.

Officers' Judgment Commended. The Admiral refers particularly to the work of the cruisers Prairie, Chester and San Francisco, which were moored inside the breakwater and covered successive landings of marines and bluejackets.

Initiative and clear judgment was required on the part of the commanding officers, says the report, and the results showed in a striking manner the efficiency of the ships under their commands. The three vessels were under charge of Commodore Moffett, Stickey and Harrison. The report says:

"When the cablegram of 8 A. M. of April 21 to seize the customs-house was received, Commander Stickey went ashore and personally notified the American consul we would land to take charge of the customs-house. General Maas, the Mexican military commandant, was notified by telephone from the consulate.

Cable Station Captured. At 10:30 A. M. the Prairie reported, 'Am ready,' and I directed Captain Rush to land his brigade and carry out orders. At 10:45 A. M. the Prairie signaled, 'Battalion has moved over.' The landing force of the Florida shoved off at the same time and were joined by the Panama contingent of marines from the Utah. At 11:15 A. M. a signal was received from the consulate, 'Cable station O. K.,' and this meant that the cable station was in possession of our forces on shore and that communication with Washington was assured. At 11:50 A. M. a signal was received from Captain Rush on shore that headquarters had been established at the Hotel Terminal and signal station was set up there. At 11:55 A. M. Captain Rush signaled, 'Telegraph and postoffice occupied and doing business.' This was followed by 'firing in town no casualties as yet,' and at 12:31 P. M. 'commenced firing on shore; federalists have commenced firing on United States troops.' I signaled Utah, 'Send your battalion ashore; urgent; you may stay where you are.' P. M. Rush reported his first casualties.

Cable and Power Plant Seized. 'Immediately on landing the marine regiment under Lieutenant Colonel Neville advanced up Calle de Montecristo, seizing cable office and detaching one company to seize the power plant north of the terminal. The head of the marine column had advanced to Avenida Bravo, when at 1:37 A. M. they were fired into from all directions.

In the meantime, the Florida seaman battalion, under Lieutenant Wainwright, had advanced and seized the custom-house and custom warehouse, postoffice and railroad terminal. They were under steady fire from the enemy in houses.

The Prairie opened fire at 1:10 P. M. with three-inch guns on the enemy's mounted troops in the sandhills beyond the city, range 2500 to 3000 yards. The second shot fell among their troops and drove them beyond the sandhills. 'Sharpshooters in the naval school building and the new market had been firing steadily on Pier No. 4, where all of our boats were landing. Chief Boatswain McCloy, in charge of three picket launches armed with one-pounder guns, put out toward the naval school building. When within a few hundred yards the launches opened fire simultaneously with one-pounders at the windows of the naval academy.

Mexican fire continued until they thus drew the fire of the Mexican forces and the Prairie opened fire with three-inch battery over the heads of the launches, silencing the fire of the Mexicans. The picket launches in their gallant dash were hit many times with rifle bullets and three times with one-pounder shells from the naval academy. Chief Boatswain McCloy was wounded in the leg and one was fatally wounded.

The brigade signal station on top of the Terminal Hotel was exposed to fire from Mexicans in all directions. The signal squad under Ensign McDoone remained at its post during the 24 hours' fighting and, though three of their men were shot while signaling, communication between brigade headquarters and the Prairie was never interrupted.

Desultory firing continued until midnight, with occasional shots throughout the night. The dead and wounded were sent aboard the Prairie. At 9 P. M. the San Francisco entered the harbor and anchored 300 yards north of the Prairie. She immediately landed her battalion of two seaman companies, which reported to the brigade commander on shore. The Chester entered the harbor at 12:08 A. M., April 22 and anchored off Sanidad pier.

Badger Lands More Men. Rear-Admiral Badger, with five battleships of his fleet, came to anchor in the outer harbor at 2:45 A. M. After explaining the situation to the Admiral he decided to land his forces, and the seamen and marine battalions of the Arkansas, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Michigan and New Jersey landed at 4 A. M.

Early in the morning of the 22d, efforts to get in communication with the authorities were renewed. Our forces advanced steadily through the city, entering houses from which they were being fired on and disarming the occupants. The Chester, from a favorable position commanding the southern part of the city, shelled the enemy out of houses along the waterfront, old Fort Santiago and from the vicinity of the military barracks. By 11 A. M. our forces were in complete possession of all parts of the city and fighting had practically ceased.

Morrison Campbell's Trial Set. ROSEBURG, Or., June 6.—(Special.)

The trial of Morrison Campbell, charged with first degree murder in connection with shooting and killing John Becker, near Cleveland, on April 18, was set today for June 22 by Judge J. W. Hamilton in the Circuit Court. The trial was to come off in May, but was postponed on account of the serious physical condition of the defendant.

POLICE BUREAU INSPECTED

Mayor and Three Commissioners See Annual Drills.

Mayor Albee and Commissioners Dieck, Bigelow and Daly inspected the Police Bureau yesterday morning at the Armory. The event is annual, and careful training of the uniformed members of

PORTLAND MAN TO HEAD BAKER, Y. M. C. A.



Gus Rowden, of Portland, yesterday accepted a position as general secretary of the Baker, Or., Young Men's Christian Association. He fills a vacancy created by the recent resignation of E. M. Brown, who accepted a position as county secretary in California. Mr. Brown also went to Baker from the Portland Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Rowden came to Portland from Seattle about two years ago, and was connected with the employment department of the Portland association. Later he served as welfare secretary for the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and more recently was connected with the Harriman lines.

The Police Bureau, under the direction of Captain J. T. Moore, proceeds to Captain Moore, who formerly was in the Army, conducted the maneuvers. He was assisted by Sergeant L. A. Harms, battalion adjutant. The six companies were in the command respectively of Captain J. W. Inskeep, Captain H. A. Circle, Sergeant P. E. Wanless, Sergeant L. V. Jenkins, Sergeant J. P. Van Overn and Patrolman F. M. West. Drum Major T. H. Willett led the band. Sergeant Griffin Roberts carried the flag. His color guards were Sergeant W. W. Bunn and Sergeant Wells. Patrolman P. C. Short was battalion bugler.

Telephones Would Raise Rates. SALEM, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company in Corvallis, and the Corvallis Independent Telephone Company today applied to the State Railroad Commission for permission to increase their rates. They say the present rates are so low they are unremunerative.

Cowlitz Indians to Confer. CENTRALIA, Wash., June 6.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Cowlitz tribe of Indians will be held Monday, June 15, at the home of John

like, on Silver Creek. Every member of the tribe has been urged to attend the meeting, as matters of importance will be brought up, particularly the one that has been before the United States Government as to the rights of the Cowlitz Indians.

Cowlitz Baptists Adjourn. CENTRALIA, Wash., June 6.—(Special.)—Rev. C. E. Flanagan, of Centralia, was elected moderator of the Cowlitz Baptist Association, which closed a successful three days' convention at Winlock Thursday.

Senator H. A. Espey, of Oysterville, was elected auditor and C. F. Stannard, of Chehalis, clerk and treasurer. The next meeting of the association will be held at Dryad.

Injunction Knocks Out Strike. PORTSMOUTH, O., June 6.—The strike of shoe workers, inaugurated on March 20, was formally declared off today. More than 2000 workers were involved. The bottom virtually dropped out of the strike recently as a result of a sweeping court injunction and the imposition of jail sentences on a large number of labor leaders.

Columbia River Rising. VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—(Special.)—The Columbia River is rising. It is 16 feet above low water today.

Proposed Remedy, However, Requires Act of Parliament to Revoke Prison Authorities of Responsibility for Deaths.

LONDON, June 6.—The Times today prints an editorial on the militant problem which it says is placing the British people on trial in the eyes of other nations. It adds that all suggestions of deportation and violent punishments, like flogging, are quite impracticable.

The proposal to prosecute subscribers to suffragette funds would be more purposeful, but even that presents difficulties, adds the Times. 'The proposal to allow hunger strikers to starve is common sense, but the view cannot be adopted because the prison authorities are legally responsible for the lives of prisoners and must do everything possible to keep them alive. The remedy seems to be to pass an act of Parliament relieving them of responsibility for prisoners refusing food.'

According to the Standard, seven forged cards of admission were presented at Thursday night's court, but all the forgeries were detected.

The list of subscribers to the Women's Social and Political Union, seized in the recent raid, shows that the movement was being supported by wealthy people. The list contained nearly a hundred names of persons who had made donations of from \$50 to \$7500 each. Miss Jamie Allen, according to the list, gave \$2125; Dr. Garrett Anderson and Mrs. Douglas Hamilton, \$7500 each; Lady Byron, \$50; Sir Johnstone Forbes-Robertson, \$50; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Harben, \$700; Mrs. Henry Sykes, \$50; Lady Walsley, \$75 and Mrs. Israel Zangwill, \$140.

The total of the subscriptions is said to be \$250,000.

Lady Blomfield, according to the Daily Sketch, has tendered through the Lord Chamberlain's office a personal apology to King George for the conduct of her daughter, Miss Mary Blomfield, at Thursday night's court. The Daily Sketch adds that knowing the sympathies of Mary and another daughter, Eleanor, Lady Blomfield had forbidden them to attend the court but that they procured tickets to the function unknown to her.

139 BABIES IN CONTEST LEADERS IN SHOW AT MEDFORD HAVE HIGH PERCENTAGE.

Dozens of Fond Mothers Wheel Babies in Rats to Compete for the Prizes. Judging Is Not Completed.

MEDFORD, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—War, a national sorrow or a devastating visitation of the wrath of nature perhaps, could not have overcast the interest and rivalry manifested among the proud and anxious mothers of the 139 entries in Medford's second annual Baby Show, which opened today.

With 60 more babies to be judged, the leaders in their respective classes

tonight are: Class A, Dorris, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Bundy; percentage, 99.8. Class B, Norma Chinnock; percentage, 92.4. Class C, Helen Porter, percentage, 92.7. Class D, Carol Buncie; percentage, 92.3. Class E, Lillian D. Haight; percentage, 92.7.

These babies are not final winners, but are the leaders in their respective classes to date.

The percentage is considered remarkably high, and it will take nearly a perfect baby to win over any of those now in the lead.

Scores of telephone calls were received at headquarters all day from proud parents wanting to know the results.

At noon today, despite the inclemency of the weather, dozens of mothers came to the show wheeling their hopefuls through the rain.

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PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTS ARREST OF MILITANT SUFFRAGETTE LEADER.



MRS. EMMALINE PANKHURST IN ARMS OF POLICEMAN. —Photo by Underwood & Underwood. LONDON, May 21.—(Special.)—In the raid on Buckingham Palace, the residence of King George, the militant suffragettes at one time controlled the situation to such an extent that the police had their hands practically full. The photograph shows Mrs. Pankhurst, the militant leader, being seized by a police officer at the very gate of the palace.

BRITAIN ON TRIAL

London Times Suggests Letting Suffragettes Starve.

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THREE FRIARS ARRESTED

MARION HOFFMAN AND ESTER GIBSON ARE MAIN WITNESSES. Six Counts Charge Sale of Liquor to Minors at Club in Milwaukee During Nights of May 10-19.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—J. Wilber, William Wilber and B. Barlow, of the Friars' Club, were arrested about noon today by Sheriff Mass on a charge of selling liquor to minors and were placed under \$1000 bail. The three were indicted by the recent session of the grand jury, the indictments being returned Friday.

They will appear before the Circuit Court Monday morning to enter their plea.

The charge against the men consists of six counts—selling liquor to Marion Hoffman and Ester Gibson May 16, to the same girls on May 17 and selling liquor to Marion Hoffman on May 18 and May 19. It was intimated that there is much matter relating to the club which has not yet been taken up by the grand jury, but would be investigated at the next session.

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