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## REFUSE TO CONFIRM REPORT THAT VERA CRUZ IS TAKEN

### Sec. Daniels Denies Having Heard an Official Report of City's Capture

### SEIZURE OF CITY TO PREVENT LANDING ARMS

### Huerta Said to Have Been Parleying in Order to Get Big Supplies There

VESSELS TO VERA CRUZ.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—Secretary Daniels announced late today that Rear Admiral Mayo with the Connecticut and most of the other vessels had steamed for Vera Cruz. All the vessels of Rear Admiral Badger's fleet were ordered to Vera Cruz.

DENIAL AT WHITE HOUSE

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—Secretary Tumulty said at 5:30 p. m., that the White House was without any report of the landing of marines' at Vera Cruz.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—At 3:30 o'clock Secretary Daniels said that he had no word of the developments at Vera Cruz. Official circles heard without comment the report that marines had been landed and had taken possession of the custom house. It was said that Fletcher's orders were to land no men until the shipment of munitions had been landed.

There was a report that Rear Admiral Fletcher's forces would not be resisted at Vera Cruz and that the Huerta forces intended to retire to the railroad trestle twenty miles west of Vera Cruz. The officials refused flatly to discuss it.

While the Senate was still in debate, Acting Chairman Shively of the Foreign Affairs Committee made a significant remark to an inquirer: "I strongly suspect that Vera Cruz has been taken without a shot." He declined to amplify the remark.

## EXTRA!

### 6:15 P. M.

## VERA CRUZ IS TAKEN TODAY

FOUR U. S. MARINES KILLED, TWENTY INJURED IN OCCUPATION OF MEXICAN SEAPORT LATE TODAY.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

GALVESTON, Texas, April 21.—Information received at the office here confirmed Washington report that U. S. Marines seized the Cable office and Custom house in Vera Cruz and that four Marines were killed and twenty wounded.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

Washington, Apr. 21—Offical report that Vera Cruz has been evacuted by Mexican Federal Garrison reached the state department here late today.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF CAPTURE OF CITY

April 21.—The first blood of the Mexican war has been spilled. Sec. Daniels made public the following message received from Rear Admiral Fletcher at six p. m.

"Tuesday in face of the approaching Norther, landed marines and sailors from the battleships Utah, Florida and Prarie and siezed the customs house.

"Mexican forces did not oppose the landing, but opened fire with rifle and artillery after our seizure of the customs house. The Prairie shelling Mexicans of their positions. Desultory firing from house to house, and streets. Hold customs house and section of the city in the vicinity of the wharves and consulate.

"Casualties, four dead and twenty wounded."

MEXICAN LEADERS ANGRY

VERA CRUZ, April 21.—Rear Admiral Fletcher landed marines from warships at Vera Cruz. There was fighting and Consul Canada called upon General Maas and the Mayor to assist Americans in restoring and maintaining order. Maas refused. None of the American refugees were injured. Those killed were a coxswain, Corporal and two privates.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 21.—Orders were sent to Rear Admiral Fletcher early today to sieze the custom house at Vera Cruze in time to prevent a large shipment of arms for Huerta, about to be landed there, from being transported to Mexico City. The orders did not stipulate when Fletcher should take the port but simply left it to his discretion as to when the best time to prevent Huerta from getting several million rounds of ammunition and 200 field guns from the German steamer about to arrive.

CAN SEIZE CITY.

The order went out to Fletcher at daybreak after President Wilson and the cabinet officers had been in conference since 4 a. m., mostly over the telephone. The orders to the Admiral, it was said he conferred if it becomes necessary, they will be broadest authority on him, directing if necessary that he take the town of Vera Cruz as well as the custom house to prevent the landing of munitions. When the news reached the capitol that orders had gone to Fletcher it aroused considerable enthusiasm among the Senators and representatives.

HUERTA WANTED ARMS

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21—Many officials declare that they believe Huerta has been playing for time merely to get in a large shipment of arms which Admiral Fletcher has been ordered to cut off. As there is no blockade American forces cannot seize ammunitions until after they have been landed. Administration officials pointed out that the president had ample authority for his action without the approval of congress.

## AMERICANS TO LEAVE MEXICO

### Consul Letcher Notifies Them to Get Out of Danger Zone Quickly.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

CHIHUAHUA, April 21.—Consul Letcher, on instructions from Washington, is notifying Americans in this city and other towns of the state of Chihuahua to leave the country as a precaution against the possible eventualities.

Refugees to El Paso.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

EL PASO, April 21.—Six American, eight German and nine French men and women arrived here from Chihuahua. Letcher, they said, was attempting to get Americans out without attracting undue attention and his efforts in this direction are being assisted by Carranza.

GERMANS TO LEAVE.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

JUAREZ, April 21.—German Consul Weber here was instructed to get the Germans out of his district in Mexico.

TRY TO GET REBELS AID.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LAREDO, Tex., April 21.—It was authoritatively reported here that two Federal officers from the Nuevo Laredo garrison, bearing a flag of truce, went down the river yesterday to parley with the rebels. A coalition of the rebels and Federals was said to be their object.

FOREIGNERS TO QUIT MEXICO

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—The foreign ambassadors conferred with Secretary Bryan at the latter's request. They refused to divulge the nature of the conference.

Charge O'Shaughnessy advised the foreign diplomats in Mexico City to have their subjects leave Mexico.

BATTLE AT MONTEREY.

Report That Rebels Are Attacking Federal Stronghold.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

JUAREZ, April 21.—An official report received here says that the smelter and brewery at Monterey have been occupied by the rebels, who began the attack yesterday.

## SENATE WANTS HUERTA REFERENCE CUT OUT OF WAR RESOLUTION

### Heated Debates in Congress Today Over Personal Reference—Differ as to Action U. S. Shall Take There.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 21.—The Senate of foreign relations committee agreed at midnight to a report resoultion with the preamble amended to read "In view of the situation presented by the president" and eliminating the individual reference to Huerta throughout.

At 12:30 the Senate recessed until noon Tuesday, under agreement to consider the resolution then.

Senator Lodge opened the debate on the resolution amended so as to eliminate the personal reference to Huerta and disclaiming any intention to make war on Mexico.

"When the President lays an international controversy before Congress, he takes the last steps that precedes war," said Lodge. "President Wilson might have taken further steps, but he has come to this body. I think he has done well."

Senator Williams asked how long it took Congress to pass the Spanish war resolution. La Follette replied that Congress took from April 11 to 19 to pass the resolution in 1898.

"This resolution carries with it armed intervention," continued Lodge. "The consequences of armed intervention in many respects are the same as war, but they present a task less speedy of completion, less fertile in speedy glory of victories won." Reviewing the Tampico incident, Lodge said: "There is no doubt in my mind that the incident at Tampico constituted an insult to the American flag and American uniform. No nation can allow such insults to pass unnoticed."

"I cannot be put in a position where I appear to pick and choose between the factions that tear Mexico asunder," said Lodge. "It is for that reason that the minority of the committee on foreign relations has presented a substitute for the preamble of the resolution. We are participating in a great historic action. If we are to intervene in Mexico at any point, I want to place it on the broad ground of a great national action taken in the interest and for the protection of American lives and for the purpose also of restoring order."

Senator Shively, acting chairman of the committee, declared the pending resolution of paramount importance. "It is never too late to declare war," he said. "It may easily become too late to secure peace. This resolution is in good faith an effort to preserve peace." He said that the attempted parallel between the present action and that leading up to war with Spain was futile. "Expedition here is vital," he said. He declared it was true that the complaint was of acts, not assaults, on private persons or property, but acts that had all the evidence of being meant as insults to the United States government and meant to impeach its power and sovereignty.

The Lodge substitute, Senator John Sharp Williams said, was a declaration of war against the Mexican people.

"I want," said Williams, "this resolution to be so worded that the world shall know it shall be war on Huerta until either Huerta salutes the flag or Huerta becomes an American prisoner or Huerta dies." A wave of applause swept the galleries and the Vice-President ordered the galleries cleared. About 100 men were removed.

The House resolution as amended by the foreign relations committee was laid before the Senate soon after it met at noon. A new resolution to accept the apologies already offered by Huerta as "sufficient reparation" for the Tampico incident was introduced by Works, Republican.

View of Flood.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—When the House Foreign Affairs Committee met, Chairman Flood said the House Democrats would not oppose the Mexican resolution as amended by the Senate committee.

Wilson Agrees.

It was made plain by Secretary Tumulty that the President approved the resolution as amended by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and that the President did not wish to individualie Huerta because of any personal resentment, but merely to differentiate from the remainder of the Mexican people with whom the United States has no quarrel. The language of the amended resolution is satisfactory to the President because it disclaims any purpose of making war on Mexico. War department officials said there was nothing to indicate the necessity for immediate orders for a movement of troops.

## I W W THREAT CAUSES STIR

### Haywood Says They Will Close Down Mines in Case of War —Unions Deny.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

NEW YORK, April 21.—The threat of William D. Haywood, leader of the Industrial Workers of the World, to tie up the coal mines of the country in the event of war, does not constitute sedition, in the opinion of Uunited District Attorney Marshall, who said a reiteration of the seditious language after the war was declared would be necessary. The heads of the Central Federated Union and affiliated unions issued statements disapproving of the threats and declaring their loyalty to the flag.

## I W W TRAITOR AT PORTLAND

### District Attorney to Prosecute Harry Jensen for Actions There

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

PORTLAND, Or., April 21.—Because he posted bills declaring for "insurrection before war," the district attorney is expected to bring a charge against Harry Jensen late today under a statute recently enacted making it a felony to advocate crime. Jensen claims to be an Industrial Worker. He urged a revolt of the working classes rather than engage in a war with Mexico.

PACIFIC COAST MOVEMENT

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 21—The cruiser South Dakota from Puget Sound arrived this morning and began taking on coal preparatory to the departure to Mexico.

## DIAZ SILENT DESPITE WAR

### Former Mexican Dictator Will Not Discuss Situation at Monte Carlo.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

MONTE CARLO, April 21.—General Porfirio Diaz, former Mexican dictator, resolutely refused to make any comment whatever on the action of the United States toward Huerta, although the correspondent reminded him of his oft-repeated remark that the only circumstances under which he would return to Mexico would be when peace was established or when his country was attacked by a foreign power. General Diaz is convalescing from an attack of la grippe.

## MIRENE GOES AGROUND TODAY

### Gasoline Schooner on Spit at Alsea Bay— No Immediate Danger.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

NEWPORT, Or., April 21.—The gas schooner Mirene ran aground on the south spit at the entrance to Alsea Bay, well inside the bar, today, and is reported in no particular danger unless the sea gets rougher. She sailed from here bound for Waldport this morning. The life saving crew in a power boat hurried to the rescue. Besides Captain George Mays and the crew there are three or four passengers on board. The latter are W. R. Wakefield and wife, H. Divelbiss and M. J. Ryan, all of Newport. The Mirene is thirty-four tons register.

INSPECTS NAVY YARD.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

SEATTLE, April 21.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt went to the Puget Sound Navy Yard to remain for two days. He will leave from Seattle for Washington Thursday.

## REPORT TWENTY LIVES LOST IN COLORADO INDUSTRIAL BATTLE

## DEVELOPMENTS LAST EVENING

### Conference of Wilson and Department Heads—Congress Discusses War Measure.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—"No orders to the army or navy tonight," was the word that came from the White House after President Wilson finished his conference with Bryan, Daniels and Garrison. Daniels said that this would stand regardless of whether the Senate passed the resolution.

Last Night in Congress.

After a spirited debate of more than two hours, the House, at 9:25 passed the administration resolution approving President Wilson's purpose to use armed froces to obtain from Huerta the fullest recognition of the honor and dignity of the United States. The vote was 337 to 37. The resolution then went to the Senate.

The House adjourned at 10:33 p. m. until 10 Tuesday. This was accepted as meaning there would be no final action on the resolution last night.

On motion of Senator Shively, the Senate recessed until 12:10 last night to await the report from the committee on foreign relations, to which the resolution had been referred.

## MEXICO WILL CALL TROOPS

### Minister of War Blanquet Says Action Will Be Taken When Necessary

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

MEXICO CITY, April 21.—Minister of War Blanquet, when asked whether the reserves would be called to the colors, replied: "In due time, it becomes necessary, they will be called, as will every citizen of Mexico."

SEND MORE TROOPS

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—Another regiment of marines was ordered assembled at Philadelphia and the transport Moro Castle was chartered to transport them to Mexico.

MEXICO CITY QUIET.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

MEXICO CITY, 11 a. m., April 21.—The Federal capital is reported quiet.

## COUNTY WILL HAVE BUILDING

### Commercial Clubs Decide on $15,000 Exhibit at San Francisco Exposition

At a meeting of delegates from the various commercial bodies at Coquille it was decided to go ahead and erect a "Coos County, Oregon, building," at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco next year. Practically all were in favor of it.

According to statements made by L. J. Simpson and others, the Coos County mills will furnish all of the lumber needed for the building free, the ship lines will transport it free and so the only expense will be for labor and finishing. It was estimated that this would be less than $4,000. It was further decided that a Coos County architect should design the building and a Coos County contractor with Coos County workmen, should build it.

In all, it is estimated that $15,000 cash will be required for the exhibit in addition to the lumber contributed. This will take care of the maintenance.

Each commercial body in the county will be expected to appoint subcommittees to raise the funds. It is suggested that every voter be requested to donate $1 to the fund.

The County Court is also being urged to give $2000 to the fund and may do so.

### Armed Clash Between Strikers and Militia at Ludlow Results Seriously

### FIRE ADDS TO HORRORS OF LABOR WARFARE

### Three Women and Several Children Smothered—Strikers Leave Scene

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

TRINIDAD, Colo., April 21.—Three women and a number of children, possibly ten, were smothered to death in a fire that swept the Ludlow tent colony last night. The party had taken refuge in a cave. The discovery of a body will raise the number of victims to twenty or more. The majority were women and children. The strikers reported Mrs. R. H. Jolly, the leader of the women strikers, among those killed. Her three-months-old baby was with her yesterday.

The armed strikers who battled with the state troops for fourteen hours disappeared today and quiet prevailed.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

TRINIDAD, Colo., April 21.—Thirteen were believed to be dead and the number of wounded unknown when day dawned on the Ludlow battle field, where yesterday a hundred militiamen and sheriffs' deputies fought a battle with the strikers. Throughout the night bodies of strikers heavily armed moved from the various camps toward Ludlow and a renewal of the conflict is expected momentarily. The known dead are private A Martin, Company A, and Louis Tikas, a Greek strike leader. One soldier was wounded. The soldiers declare that quantities of ammunition were exploded in fire that swept the Ludlow tent colony during the night, following the battle.

## GRAND JURY IS PROBING MANY

### Investigation of Many Cases Underway—Little Doing in Circuit Court

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Or., April 21.—The grand jury is still grinding away. They are probing several cases according as the witnesses can be secured. No report has been made but probably will be soon.

A number of Myrtle Point men are here, leading to a report that the Myrtle Point bank matter is being investigated.

The negro Franklin shooting scrape at Marshfield was also being probed today. The cases of those now under arrest or under bonds will be disposed of by the grand jury first.

Judge Coke is hearing equity matters, motions, etc., but nothing important has been taken up.

Kinney Matters Up.

Judge Coke announced yesterday that he would hear some of the Kinney litigation as the mortgages, etc., in which he was involved as an attorney had been disposed of.

The county court has not announced what it will do about remitting the interest and penalty on the Kinney taxes.

Mixup in Suit.

Judge Coke yesterday overruled two motions in the case of Geo. Watkins versus the Record Photo Abstracting Company. It seems that the jury returned a defective verdict and each side wanted to take judgment on it. Judge Coke ruled out both and this puts the case back to where it started, nothing being decided.

ROAD ELECTION TO BE CALLED AS PETITIONED

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Or., April 21.—The Coos County Court today determined to call the good roads bonding election in accordance with the petitions for the election, specifying that $70,000 shall be used on the Ten Mile road, some on the Bandon-Curry County road and the balance between Coos Bay and Bridge on the Myrtle Point road.

The action followed considerable discussion and consideration. J. E. Schilling and others from the Myrtle Point section yesterday argued against this division, saying that it would be sure to defeat the $440,000 bond issue. They said that they were not opposed to any section getting the money, but wanted the matter submitted so that it could carry. However, the County Court finally decided to abide by the petitions of the Good Roads Association, be the result of the election what it may.