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HUERTA STOPS NEGOTIATIONS WITH HAGGLING ABOUT SALUTE

He Wants to Dictate Terms Upon Which It Shall Be Fired and Would Rob Apology of Its Forceful Effect.

BRYAN IS HOPEFUL OF SATISFACTORY RESULT

Mexican Ruler Apparently Is Undecided Whether to Give In or Not.

Mexico City, April 17.—(Censored)—If Mexico salutes the American flag and America returns the salute, Mexico will consider that President Huerta has been recognized. This was stated at Foreign Minister Rojas' office here this afternoon.

Washington, April 17.—The administration sent its ultimatum to Mexico this afternoon.

President Wilson was determined to tolerate no more quibbling. He notified President Huerta plainly he must salute the American flag according to international custom, and without imposed conditions, or the United States will use force.

Huerta's evasiveness was revealed clearly when it was learned today that Admiral Mayo, in his original demand for the salute, said he would return it.

Bryan refused to comment on a United Press dispatch from Mexico City saying the dictator wanted war. He insisted that the American flag would not be saluted. His colleagues said, however, that Huerta was taking every possible means to prevent it.

Salute Not Promised. It was learned that Huerta suggested saluting the American flag if promised an acknowledgment in the form of an answering salute but he did not promise positively that the salute would be forthcoming on that condition.

Instead, in conference with Chargé d'Affaires Osborn, it was held he was apparently trying to surround the exchange of salutes with such formalities as would depend on the respect demanded. He wanted to dictate these formalities himself.

Bryan expressed hopes that matters would have so shaped themselves that he could leave tomorrow night on his deferred vacation in Florida.

"I do not think," he said, "there is any reason for discussing the situation or going into what has been done or asked. I have tried to treat this affair as frankly as possible.

Encouraging But Unfinished. "Yesterday I said the situation was encouraging. Today I say it is encouraging but unfinished. I am not sure what the situation is. I have every reason for believing that it will work itself out satisfactorily and that our demands will be met."

Senator Kibbely of Indiana, acting chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, did not seem so confident of peace. In fact, he used the word "war."

"Mexico will salute our flag in the way we want it saluted or there will be war," he declared. "I have been informed that the Mexicans are making simultaneous salutes and that the United States would not agree to this. I fully appreciate this stand, and personally I feel somewhat angry."

No Simultaneous Salutes. "Our warships are now on their way to Mexican waters, and we are prepared to enforce our original demand for a salute in reparation for an insult put upon us. Simultaneous salutes will not be acceptable as an apology for the Mexican insult to our flag. It would be an entirely different proposition from a Mexican salute of 21 guns to be answered by an American salute of the same number of guns.

"The president, I am informed, will insist on the salute in the way originally demanded, and will inform Huerta to this effect.

"There will be no weakening so far as the administration is concerned, and I am confident, from what other senators have said to me, that it will have the cordial support of both houses of congress in compelling a rigid adherence to the original program.

"If the Mexicans persist in refusing there will be war with all that it implies."

Not a Salute to Huerta. According to Admiral Blue, the naval regulations concerning salutes do not apply to the Tampico case. "A salute, if fired there, would be an act between the Mexican and American navies, without regard to Huerta or the constitutionalists. It would be impossible to interpret it as a salute to Huerta or as recognition of his government."

Senator Simmons was still doubtful, however. "I do not think we should return the Mexican salute," was his opinion, "unless it is strictly enjoined by international law and custom. It seems plain common sense that if we return a salute fired by one of the contending Mexican factions, we imply at least quasi-recognition of that particular faction."

Murdock Opposes Salute. "If we return the Mexican salute," declared Congressman Murdock of Kansas, "we might just as well shoot off a few guns in memory of Robin Hood, Jesse James, Raisuli or any other bandit."

"I don't believe President Wilson and Secretary Bryan had given the proposition careful thought when they said they would follow the international usage if they return Huerta's salute," said Congressman Cooper. "International means between nations. In this case there is only one nation involved—the United States."

Cornelius Editor Dead in the Road

F. H. McEnery May Have Been Victim of Heart Failure or May Have Been Killed by Automobile.

Cornelius, Or., April 17.—F. H. McEnery, editor of the Cornelius Tribune, was found dead in the road this morning by a liveryman who was driving from Banks to Hillsboro. The body was found near Centerville, two miles north of here.

It is generally thought that McEnery was victim of heart failure, though there are some indications that he was struck and killed by an automobile. This is the view held by Father Lechner of Verboort, at whose home McEnery had been living. An inquest is being held this afternoon at Hillsboro.

It is believed that McEnery is survived by a wife in the east. McEnery had followed newspaper work all of his adult life, and was experienced in both metropolitan and country publication.

Germany Stations Consul in Portland

Federation of German Speaking Societies Rewarded with Success After Five Years of Efforts.

Efforts of the confederation of German Speaking societies of Oregon to secure a German consul for Oregon and Idaho were rewarded today by the receipt of documents announcing the appointment by the German government of Fritz Kirchhoff.

Dr. E. H. Dammasch stated today that the federation had been at work ever since the consul was removed from Portland to Seattle, five years ago, to convince the German government of the necessity of stationing a representative in this city.

Mr. Kirchhoff is representative in Portland of the Hamburg-American Steamship company.

Spent \$15,000 in Six Weeks, Is Jailed

Count Sergius Apraxin, "of Austria," Who Showed Champagne on Reim-coated Cabaret Girls, Held for \$10.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 17.—Count Sergius Apraxin, Austrian nobleman, faces arrest today on a charge of issuing a fictitious check for \$10. Division, an automobile agent, swore to the warrant before Judge Carrillo of Santa Monica.

The count gained notoriety here by spending \$15,000 in six weeks in the bright light cafes. According to report, his favorite pastime was to equip cafe entertainers with raincoats and shower them with champagne.

Panama Canal Is Ready for Warships

Largest Vessels Could Get Through Slide District on Three Days' Notice, Say Officials at Panama.

Panama, April 17.—With a view to the possibility of war with Mexico, canal officials said today that warships could pass through the Panama waterway at any time now.

Even the largest vessels, they stated, would be able to get through the slide district on three days' notice to the dredgers.

GALLANT THOUSAND PROTECT RETREAT OF FEDERALISTS WITH LIVES

Only Three Hundred Survive Fierce Attack of Rebels; Main Army Escapes.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Torreon, Mexico, April 17.—Seven hundred Federalists were dead at Benavides station today and the position was in the rebels' hands, but the main Federal body had escaped again.

The Federal force included the army divisions of the North, of Nazas and of the Rio Bravo. It numbered between 6000 and 7000 men, with 18 generals in command. Overtaken by the rebels at the end of the pursuit which followed San Pedro's fall, the Federalists made a stand at Benavides.

There was a six hours' engagement late Wednesday and when darkness fell, though the Federalists still held their position, it was evident that it was only a question of time when they must be exterminated unless they escaped or surrendered.

Accordingly, leaving 1000 men to hold a desperate fight until General Velasco, the ranking Federal officer, succeeded in evacuating the town and getting safely away under cover of darkness.

The maneuver amounted, however, to the sacrifice of the 1000 men left behind. Instead of surrendering, they fought a desperate fight until several hundreds of their number had been killed. The other 300 were literally overwhelmed by a force of numbers and captured, nearly all of them wounded.

According to the prisoners, General Joaquin Maas and General Emilio Campa were killed in Wednesday's fight at General Velasco, who was previously wounded at Gomez Palacio, was said to have suffered a probably mortal wound today. Benavides and Hidalgo was shot through both shoulders but was still able to sit his horse, and General Argumendo was hit in the leg.

General Villa was reported in hot pursuit of the fleeing Federalists. Twelve hundred federal prisoners arrived here today. Beginning the total number of captured at San Pedro and Benavides up to about 3000. All took the rebel oath of allegiance and a majority joined Villa's army.

PHOTOGRAPHS SNAPPED DURING EXCITING MOMENTS OF THE OPENING BASEBALL GAME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON



HUERTA DESIRES TO START TROUBLE WITH U. S., SAYS DISPATCH

United Press Correspondent Gets Brief Message Past Censor at Mexico City.

By a United Press Staff Correspondent. Mexico City, Mexico, April 17.—President Huerta wants the United States to declare war against Mexico. This was his object throughout the negotiations concerning the Tampico incident. He has been in almost constant conference with his cabinet and with congress.

It became known today that he wishes war between the United States and Mexico because he believes it would solidify the Mexican people in support of his otherwise doomed government.

The above message, coded, was received at the New York office of the United Press this morning from a staff correspondent in Mexico City, who has been in close touch with the situation there for a year. The message was necessarily brief, as it was impossible to carry details in view of the extraordinarily strict censorship.

This was the first important news dispatch received from Mexico City since the Tampico incident, and it also threw the first light on Huerta's attitude in connection with the crisis.

Flood Has His Suspicions. Washington, April 17.—"While I have no official advice to strengthen my belief," said Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee, commenting on the United Press Mexico City dispatch to the effect that President Huerta wants hostilities between Mexico and the United States, "I have suspected for some time that Huerta wants war with this country."

"The president," Flood declared, "has indicated that he is ready to make a salute at Tampico after our vessels arrive, although I have no information from Mexico or from the Washington administration to make me believe he plans such a course."

Recreation Pier Is Burned by Women

Britannia Pier at Great Yarmouth Destroyed With \$75,000 Loss; Bomb Was Set in Pavilion During Concert.

Great Yarmouth, England, April 17.—Fire, started by the explosion of a suffragette bomb, today destroyed Britannia pier, one of the finest in England, with \$75,000 loss.

The superstructure, including pavilion, bandstand and dancing deck, were completely consumed, and the pier's substructure was too badly damaged to make repairs possible. The explosion was so powerful that it was felt many blocks away.

The police believed the bomb was hidden in the pavilion during last night's concert.

Mrs. Wakefield Sobs at News of Re-trial

Connecticut Woman Sentenced to Death for Murder Her Son Is Sure Next Trial Will Result in Acquittal.

Weatherfield, Conn., April 17.—Miss Reese Wakefield, convicted of the murder of her husband and sentenced to death, was not notified until today of the action of the state supreme court last night in granting her a new trial.

"Thank God," she sobbed. "I feel certain that the next trial will result in my acquittal."

LODGE NOW IN FAVOR OF FIRING SALUTE IN RETURN TO HUERTA'S

Senator Who Objected Yesterday Admits His Criticism of Custom Was Mistaken.

Washington, D. C., April 17.—Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, who yesterday termed the proposal to fire a return salute to Huerta as "a ridiculous suggestion," today admits that he did not understand the situation, and said he was mistaken in his criticism.

Lodge and Secretary Bryan had a telephone conversation, at which the Massachusetts senator was informed that the British press was making a salute to Huerta as well as older ones, is being aggressively planned. Evidences of interest add to the encouragement of those who are giving time and energy in attracting public attention to Portland's present Alaska trade opportunity.

Not fewer than 400 of the city's younger business men will be expected to subscribe to the guaranty fund proposed. The chief present significance of the subscription will not be the money paid but the proof of community interest afforded. It may not be necessary to call in these subscriptions.

Pledges Are Solicited. "If they are preferred, 8 per cent stock in the Portland Steamship company will be issued equal to the amount paid. In any case the subscription of \$100 a year for two to three years would not exceed approximately \$10 a month. Selfish interest approves public spirit in making such a subscription. The pledge at the head of the subscription blanks now to be circulated further defines the plan. It was issued today and reads:

"We, the undersigned, young men of the city of Portland, in addition to subscribing for the shares of stock placed opposite our names on the company—"

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Girl Salutes Flag After Calling It a "Rag"

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It was a replica in miniature of the big Mexican situation and a salute to the flag was its outstanding feature. It happened over at the National laundry, East Eighth and Clay streets. The Mexican situation was the sole topic of conversation this morning and patriotism ran high. It only needed a remark by a girl operative to the effect that Mexicans would be fools to salute a "rag" like the American flag to precipitate a most tense situation in which watchful waiting was conspicuous for its absence.

Girls and women left mangle and iron and the Mexican sympathizer was given to understand there would be no war unless the retracted words and saluted the flag. This she refused to do and work at the laundry came temporarily to a standstill.

Like Mexico she finally temporized, however, and saluted an American flag. The incident was then considered closed. Work was resumed. And Portland's Mexican situation came to a dignified end, a victory for the Americans.

SUBSCRIPTION PLEDGES FOR PORTLAND-ALASKA STEAMSHIP LINE ISSUED

Special Appeal Made to Young Business Men; Officers of Assistance Made.

Making the Portland-Alaska Steamship line a community enterprise, backed by younger business men as well as older ones, is being aggressively planned. Evidences of interest add to the encouragement of those who are giving time and energy in attracting public attention to Portland's present Alaska trade opportunity.

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Warmer Weather Elevates Ice Prices

Manufacturers Reach Agreement Which Will Cost Consumer 15 Cents More Per Hundred Pounds.

With spring already winging its way toward torrid summer, ice manufacturers of Portland, by a "gentlemen's agreement," yesterday elevated the price of ice 15 cents a hundred pounds.

This means that householders who heretofore paid 50 cents per hundred pounds will pay 65 cents, and restaurants, clubs, saloons and markets which paid 35 cents will either goiless or pay 50 cents. The new schedule was announced simultaneously by all the big factories.

The average consumption of ice in Portland during the three hottest months of the year averages 800 tons per day and the raise therefore means that the total ice bill for each day will be approximately \$2400 higher.

For the last six years the price of ice has remained stationary.

The raise in price was absolutely necessary, declare O. M. Rankin of the Ice Delivery company. "The plants have not been making money, and some of them I feel sure would have been compelled to go out of business if the same rates had obtained as have for the last six years. The cost of delivery and manufacture has risen steadily, and now we had to raise also to pay out."

The agreement to change the prices was made without any meetings. As far as can be ascertained a few of the manufacturers let it be known that they were going to raise and others followed suit.

Will Call Warrants.

Salem, Or., April 17.—State Treasurer Key is preparing to issue a call Monday for all outstanding state warrants indorsed prior to January 1, 1914. These warrants amount to about \$425,000. They will leave \$675,000 of warrants still outstanding and drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent.

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WOMEN OUTDISTANCE MEN IN REGISTRATION RECORDS YESTERDAY

Three Hundred of Fair Sex Qualify for Elections; 265 Men Sign Lists.

Three hundred women yesterday established a registration record, for they outdistanced the male registration in one day for the first time since the books opened. Men numbered but 265 and although they held their own on the west side and in the precincts outside of the city, but 191 east side women made 124 men from the same section take the year sheet. During the day 565 registered, bringing the total for the present registration to 61,307. Men now number 23,559 and women 21,448.

Two weeks from tonight registration closes for the primaries. Beginning tomorrow night the registration office will remain open each night until 9 o'clock to accommodate those who are unable to register during the regular hours. County Clerk Coffey is expecting at least 20,000 more registrations before the books close and with but 12 days of actual registration left it is feared that the office will be crowded and many will be compelled to stand in line for considerable time unless those who can register at once.

This morning the entire family of P. P. Kendall, northwest manager of the American Can company, registered, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall, two daughters and a son, and all five professional-legalliance to the Republican party. Yesterday Mrs. Rosamond R. Emery, grandmother of Pantages theatre, was registered at her home, 547 Fourth street, by Deputy County Clerk Gregory. Mrs. Coffey celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of her birth four months ago and in respect of her advanced years County Clerk Coffey sent to her home to register her. She came here eight months ago. She is a Republican.

Party registration to date is: Republicans, 39,128; Democrats, 13,731; Progressives, 2,822; Independents, 240; Prohibitionists, 2257; Socialists, 968.

M'KEE RANKIN IS DEAD

San Francisco, April 17.—McKee Rankin, the veteran character actor, died here today after several weeks' illness. For years Rankin was identified with Nance O'Neil, in Shakespearean productions.

CRANK SHOOTS AT THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK, WOUNDS POLK

Joseph Saloschein, Disappointed Office-seeker, Tries to Kill John Purroy Mitchel, Who Captures Assailant.

CORPORATION COUNSEL RECEIVES THE BULLET

Attempt at Assassination Takes Place in City Hall Square.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, April 17.—Mayor John Purroy Mitchel of New York narrowly escaped assassination here this afternoon at the hands of Joseph Saloschein, a disappointed office-seeker. The bullet intended for the mayor first struck the arm of H. Duncan, a paster, who stepped up and entered the club of Corporation Counsel Frank Polk. The injury was not serious.

The attempted assassination occurred at 1:20 o'clock in City Hall square. Hundreds of persons witnessed the attack. The assailant was arrested by Mayor Mitchel himself and rushed to the city hall police station in the mayor's automobile.

The shot intended for the head of the city administration was fired by an old man, who at first refused to give his name but later said it was Joseph Saloschein. He could give no coherent reason for the attack but intimated it was caused because he objected to Mitchel's treatment of the unemployed.

City hall attaches said Saloschein had called several times to see the

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ELEVEN PERSONS DIE IN ROOMING HOUSE AS FIRE BLOCKS ESCAPE

Theatrical People Victims of New York Blaze and Inadequate Fire Escapes.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, April 17.—Eleven persons perished and four others received possibly fatal hurts in a fire which destroyed a six story rooming house today.

Of the dead six were burned beyond recognition. The others were Edward Wallace and his wife, Mrs. Nellie Spencer and Muriel Davis, aged 4. The injured were rushed to the Polyclinic hospital, where Mrs. George Davis died early in the forenoon.

The building contained 40 rooms, mostly occupied by theatrical people and cloak models. How the fire started was not known. A passing policeman saw smoke coming from a basement window and gave the alarm. The flames spread so rapidly that by the time the firemen arrived they were beyond control.

There was a frightful panic among those in the house, and women striking, scratching and tearing at one another's hair in the effort for first chance at the fire escapes, with which the building was inadequately provided.

Those who perished were trapped in their rooms and burned or suffocated. The injured were hurt in jumping.

POULTRY

Here are a few timely items of poultry news taken from today's Journal Want Ads:

Day old chicks and setting eggs for sale. Special discount of 20% for shipments now.

White Leghorn baby chicks \$8 per 100. We refund money for chicks not arriving in good condition.

Incubators, with best possible construction, \$8 to \$30.

White Leghorn breeding hens \$1. Baby chicks 12c. Hatching eggs \$5 per 100.

Eggs for setting. Specialty market of incubator lots.

White Pekin baby ducks 20c each.

White Leghorn baby chicks \$12 per 100.

Wanted—Cypres incubator in good condition and cheap.

The Poultry Page in the Saturday Journal contains valuable information for all poultrymen—you had better read it.

Remember that the closing hour for accepting Want Ads for the Sunday Journal will be 5 o'clock Saturday evening instead of 9 o'clock, as heretofore. New Today Ads will be accepted until 9 o'clock. For phone ads call Main 7172 or A-6051.