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## MEXICAN CAPITAL'S CITY OF DREAD WHILE TROOPS PATROL ALMOST DESERTED STREETS

### Trade Is at a Standstill and the Inhabitants Fear Sack of City or Looting by Mob of Native Indians Should General Huerta Be Assassinated or Overthrown by a Revolution Started by Some Opposing Faction.

## NEARLY ALL THE FOREIGNERS AND SOME MEXICANS NOW ADVOCATE INTERVENTION

### Medill McCormick Says Americans Are Held in Prison and Are Not Permitted to Send Word Even to Brazilian Ambassador; No Place for U. S. Citizens.

By Medill McCormick.  
(By Courtesy of Chicago Daily News.)  
Vera Cruz, Mexico, May 12.—Americans are in prison in Mexico City, held incommunicado in places unknown to the Brazilian legation. I do not know how many are so held by the police, but when I left Mexico City on a French special train for Puerto Mexico, I saw Walter Whiffle of the Associated Press was under arrest for the second time within 24 hours. Mr. Doster of the International News Service was in jail, and so was Mr. Sutton of the Washington Post. An American named Schouler and a locomotive engineer who had returned from Cuba looking for his family were also in prison.

American man of letters, Davis said the further we advanced into the interior, the more I looked like a shaven Uncle Sam. Davis himself looked to me like a mixture of John Drew and Theodore Roosevelt, shaken well before aging. He and I, anyway, seemed selected for defeat. Adam Welmar, a German-American employed by the Banco Nacional, who started with us from Vera Cruz, did what he could to help us.

**Terror Grips City of Mexico.**  
The city of Mexico is inarticulate, dazed, afraid. Americans are not safe there and they ought to leave. Other foreigners are alarmed. Mexicans do not speak about the cause of the trouble, but they are of strategically important places. There are Mexican spies everywhere, and everywhere they are looking for American spies. The middle class believes that there is an armistice by virtue of the mediation of the A-B-C powers. Yet no American is permitted to send cable messages or telegrams. I had to get a foreign friend to advise my family and the Chicago Daily News of my release a second time, and he does not know whether the message has reached the editor.

**Block Bounded by Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Couch and Davis Streets Secured.**  
As a site for a magnificent Catholic cathedral, Archbishop Christie closed a deal this morning for the purchase of the block bounded by Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Couch and Davis streets. While the actual sum paid for the property has not been made public, it is known that it cost the archbishop close to \$170,000.

**Brazilian Not Much Help.**  
Press messages by correspondents who are not Americans are censored so that they are valueless. Although Americans are not safe and are forbidden to cable home, they cannot go to the British or German legations for protection. There may be reasons of high diplomacy why Brazil should represent our interests in Mexico, but it is a fact that, although he does his best, Senor Carioza d'Oliveira is unable sufficiently to protect our fellow citizens in Mexico City if there is no fighting. Even if there is none, I am afraid we shall be sorry that the care of American interests was taken out of the hands of Sir Lionel Cullen, the British minister.

**As the guard closed around us we turned to welcome Palmer's solemn procession to our ranks. Outside the jail we marched. Little sandaled soldiers shuffled along on either side. They drove a crowd of men and women out of the jail court into the jail and asked us for our papers.**

I do not like to give too much space to our own experiences, but I must relate them in so far as they illustrate conditions and the attitude of the Huertistas toward Americans. Twice we were arrested and once held incommunicado a short time and were freed on payment of incriminating documents. The American, Richard Harding Davis, Frederick Palmer and I left Vera Cruz by train for the gap in the railway where the Mexicans had the troops April 2. It is not surprising that two of us got to Mexico City and back again with so little delay.

**General Maas was very civil. He did not ask Davis or me about our nationality, but Palmer's visiting card would not do. He had to go back to Vera Cruz.**

## SILLIMAN'S RELEASE STILL REPORTED BY AMERICANS DOUBT IT

### They Will Believe American Consul Is Free When They See Him in Vera Cruz.

By William G. Shepherd.  
Vera Cruz, Mexico, May 13.—The Brazilian minister in Mexico City telegraphed to United States Consul Canada here today that John Silliman, consul at Saltillo, had been released from prison there, would be brought first to the capital and then would be sent to Puerto Mexico to take ship for home.

## TORTURE AND DEATH PROBABLE FATE THAT BEFELL LOST PARKS

### American Soldier Missing From Vera Cruz Treated Barbarously, Say Reports.

(United Press Special Wire.)  
Washington, May 13.—Reports that Private Parks, who strayed from Vera Cruz last week and was believed to have fallen into the Mexican troops' hands, was not only executed, but tortured before being put to death promised today to stir the Washington administration to drastic measures.

## GETTING TO BE A PEST!



## DEAL FOR IMPOSING CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL CLOSED BY ARCHBISHOP

Washington, May 13.—An open break occurred here today between Attorney General McReynolds and Solicitor Joseph W. Folk of the Interstate Commerce commission and Commissioner McChord, following a visit of Folk, McChord and Senators Norris and Kern to McReynolds' office to discuss the commission's investigation of the New York-New Haven & Hartford railroad scandal. The meeting ended in discord.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL ASKS FOLK TO LEAVE OFFICE AFTER SCRAP

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## SENATOR OWEN TELLS CRITICS OF MEXICAN POLICY IT IS RIGHT

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## Charges Are Read Against Militia

### Major Hamrock Pleads Not Guilty at Court-Martial Proceedings Accusing Him of Arson and Murder.

Denver, Colo., May 13.—At today's session of the court-martial at the Rifle Range, near Golden, Judge Advocate Edward Smith read specifications against Major Hamrock, who pleaded not guilty to the charges. The first specification included two charges of arson in connection with the burning of the tent colony at Ludlow, the second, two charges of murder in connection with the deaths of six strikers, and the third, three charges of manslaughter in connection with the deaths of two women and 11 children.

## Women Trampled At Marine's Funeral

### Panic in Chicago's City Hall When Photographer Takes Flash Light of Crowd's Viewing Ceremony.

Chicago, May 13.—A panic occurred in the city hall here today in which eight women and girls were trampled on, as a result of an explosion of flashlight powder which a photographer was using to take a picture of the scenes at the lying-in-state of Samuel Melsenberg, the Chicago marine killed at Vera Cruz. The photographer used too much powder, and instead of a mere puff there was a deafening explosion.

## Shows Robbed in Early Morning

### Particular Method of Operation Charged Against Prisoner Believed by Detectives to Be Walla Walla Escape.

Breaking showcases and stealing goods therefrom was the peculiar criminal profession attributed to Harry P. Daggett, arrested here Monday night under the name of Harvey P. Stewart. Detective Hyde and Howell have worked on 12 such cases. They also recovered the articles stolen.

## Bullet Riddled Bodies in the Road

### E. Gordon Hitchcock and His Wife Found Dead Near Bakersfield; Couple Had Separated Recently.

Bakersfield, Cal., May 13.—Investigation is being made today of the death of E. Gordon Hitchcock and his wife, Mrs. Grace Hitchcock, whose bodies were found late yesterday on a county road near here. Mrs. Hitchcock had been shot through the heart and her husband through the head. The couple were said to have separated recently. They had five children.

## SHRINERS ELECT SMITH

### Atlanta, Ga., May 13.—Frederick Smith, of Rochester, N. Y., was elected today imperial potentate of the Mystic Shriners, in convention here.

## Attention Voters! Ballot on Page 6

Voters! Read the primary ballots of the Republican, Democratic and Progressive parties before going to the polls Friday. You will find them on Page 6 of this paper. Voters! See Page 6.

## TAMPICO WILL FALL BY NIGHT, SAYS MESSAGE

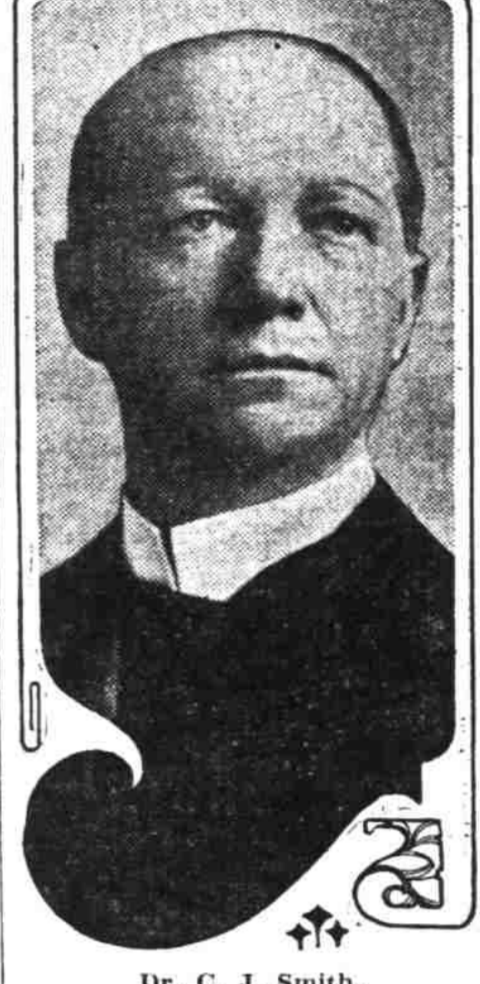
### Admiral Mayo Wirelesses Navy Department City's Fall Is Imminent, Heavy Firing Since Midnight.

## O'SHAUGHNESSY SAYS HUERTA PLANS FLIGHT

### Dictator Has Invested His Money in Europe; Capture of Mexico City Easy.

(United Press Special Wire.)  
Washington, May 13.—Statement of a report sent earlier in the day, Admiral Mayo wirelesses the navy department this afternoon that the fall of Tampico was imminent. He said heavy firing had continued since midnight after a lull beginning at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

## Umatilla Indorses Dr. Smith Royal Welcome to His Old Home Friends Rally to His Support



Dr. C. J. Smith.

## GREAT CROWD HEARS HEARTY ENCOMIUMS

### Mayor Matlock Prominent Among Those Present and Colonel Raley Gives Warm Indorsement of His Nature.

(Special to The Journal.)  
Pendleton, Ore., May 13.—With the Oregon theatre crowded to the doors with the largest audience at any political gathering in the history of Umatilla county, and with every man and woman present expressing enthusiastically the high place which the man of honor, Dr. C. J. Smith, candidate for governor of Oregon, was received back into his old home town last night in a manner that proved that he is one patriot who is not without honor in his own country.

## PORTLAND SELECTED FOR BRANCH FEDERAL BANK BY DELEGATES

### San Francisco Grabs All the Directors by Fixing Six-Hour Zone Limit.

(United Press Special Wire.)  
San Francisco, May 13.—A resolution adopted here by a convention of bankers from all parts of California and other Pacific coast states provides that after the establishment of the federal reserve bank in San Francisco, branches shall be established in Portland, Seattle, Salt Lake City and Los Angeles. It was announced today that there was no opposition to the specific recommendation of a branch bank at Seattle, but a vote taken on a motion including Spokane resulted in the dropping of the latter city.

## Snake Bites Cause Strange Sickness

### John Richards, Arrested for Intoxication, Explains Peculiar Condition to Annual Return of Illness.

Four years ago on May 9, John Richards, a cook, was bitten by two rattlesnakes at Kamloops, B. C. Each year on this date Richards experiences a return of the sickness that was caused by the bite of the reptiles. This is the story he told Municipal Judge Stevenson, Assistant City Attorney Steiner and others in the court yesterday afternoon.

## Hedges Blames Attorney General

### District Attorney of Clackamas County Says Crawford Has Shown no Interest in Friars Club Case.

Salem, Ore., May 13.—Declaring that Attorney General Crawford had refused to represent the state and argue the demurrer in the suit brought to cancel the charter of the Friars club, operated in the Milwaukie tavern, and that he was showing no interest in the case, District Attorney Hedges of Clackamas county advised Governor Swan in a letter received today that the second complaint drawn by Crawford in the case was faulty and that he could see no reason for such a complaint to be prepared.

## Two Drowned by Floods in Detroit

### Damage in Michigan Due to High Water Placed at \$1,000,000; Hundreds of Families Are Homeless.

Detroit, May 13.—Two persons were known to be dead today as a result of floods following two days of rainfall. Hundreds of families living in Detroit suburbs are homeless, and thousands of others are marooned in their homes. The flood damage throughout Michigan is estimated at \$1,000,000. The Ford automobile plant here was flooded.

## SINGER JURY DISCHARGED

### The jury in the case of Joseph Singer, charged with extortion, was discharged at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Vancouver, Wash., May 13.—While nothing definite has been decided as yet, it is more than probable that both Governor Lister and Governor West will be present at the opening of the Columbia River Interstate fair, which opens Labor day.

## Governors May Attend

London, May 13.—A story of doubtful authenticity was in circulation to the effect that the Prince of Wales, an Oxford student, had had a fist fight with a laundry wagon driver and had the better of the combat.