

PROTEST IS RENDERED AGAINST ABUSES OF CATHOLICS IN MEXICO

Government Asked to Repudiate Villa as It Has Repudiated Huerta.

ALLEGED WRONGS CITED

Mistreatment of Priests and Nuns Laid to Ruling Factions—Signers' Names Submitted.

Resolutions have been prepared by the committee appointed at a meeting of representatives of the Catholic parishes of the city and others Sunday afternoon, December 13, regarding conditions in Mexico. The meeting was held to denounce the reign of terror in Mexico, and protest against recognition by the American government of the terrorist leaders. The committee, appointed to prepare, sign and publish appropriate resolutions, has adopted the following:

Whereas the following letter is an authentic statement concerning the reign of terror prevailing in Mexico, to-wit: "To His Excellency, Hon. W. J. Bryan, Sir—On July 22 last, I had the honor of addressing your excellency on the subject of the persecution of the Catholics in Mexico, as practiced by the revolutionary parties now in power in that country. The third assistant secretary of state, under date of July 24, acknowledged receipt of my letter. Since then I have made the acquaintance of Rev. R. H. Hervey, editor of the Catholic paper America, published in New York city, who writes me that he visited your excellency to note down for your excellency's convenience, the principal points, and I wish to say that I have been down north of the border, and fully aware of and can personally vouch for. I have lived in Mexico 23 years, am a German by birth, a religion a Lutheran, and am 60 years of age.

Made to Sweep Streets. (1) I know of Catholic clergymen who, under pain of death, were made to sweep the streets and do manual work for common, illiterate soldiers. (2) A bishop, 70 years old, deported to the penal colony on the Pacific coast. (3) Of a parish priest, 80 years old, so tortured that he lost his mind. (4) Of several priests in the Monterey penitentiary as late as August 30 last. (5) Of many deported to Texas, both foreigners and Mexicans. (6) Of priests and teachers tortured by hanging and strangling. (7) Of a priest to ladito who was enticed out to hear a confession and instead was thrown into a dungeon. (8) Of 40 Sisters of whom have been violated, of which number four are now in the streets, and one of these four has become demoralized. (9) I have been instrumental in saving six sisters and seven girl pupils from the same fate. (10) Of an Englishman, who tried to save the personal effects of these 13 women, being fined \$2000 for the attempt. (11) Of all the confessionals in the Monterey penitentiary, and in a public square and burned. (12) Of valuable paintings, stolen from churches, and speedily brought to the United States by filibusters. (13) Of constitutional soldiers, led by a man who is now governor of a state in Mexico, doing on the altar what decency does not permit me to say. (14) (too vile to print). (15) Of decrees, published by the present governors of states, prohibiting the practice of religion in the churches, convents and schools. I am respectfully your humble servant. MARTIN STECKEL.

Civil Order Destroyed. And, whereas, the above letter is a true index to the conditions existing against the religion of fifteen millions of Mexicans and the ministers of religion and of the children attached to religious institutions in that unhappy country; and, whereas, government and civil order has been destroyed in Mexico by so-called constitutional leaders, Carranza and Villa; and, whereas, the said terrorist leaders, and especially Villa, who is now in practical control of Mexican affairs, have received moral and material aid through the administration at Washington, and the said administration appears to continue friendly relations with the said Villa; Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we denounce the unspeakable crimes committed against the Christian people of Mexico and extend to them our deep sympathy in their awful hour of trial; that we protest against the friendly policy of our government towards the terrorist leader, Villa; Be it further resolved, that the administration should repudiate Villa as it has repudiated Huerta.

Signatures Are Submitted. Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to our senators and representatives in congress in order that an investigation of the Mexican situation may be undertaken, and that justice may be done in the premises; and that a copy of these resolutions be published in the daily press of this city. W. A. BAKER, JOHN F. O'SHEA, J. C. SCUDLARK, J. E. BURK, A. N. WILLIS, G. M. SNIDERSON, FRANK E. DOOLY, DAN KELLAMER, P. J. WIEBER, E. J. SULLIVAN, P. A. TUHEY, EDGAR R. PIPER, CHAS. RECKER, the Editor of the Oregonian, JOS. JACOBREIGER, FRANK E. COLLIER, W. N. AMBER, F. V. O'HARA, J. C. ENGLISH, D. M. DUNNE, ROBERT J. O'REILLY, H. B. MANIX, D. W. WARD, J. P. SINNOTT, FRED C. MURPHY, FATHER GREGORY, FRED C. SUREN, LOGA C. LITTLE, M. G. MUNLY, MIRIAM HADELL, M. G. MUNLY.

Discusses Problems Of the Unemployed

Trained Men Are Not Looking for Jobs, Says Employment Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

"The parent is chargeable with a large per cent of the unemployment in Portland and the northwest," said Stanley Baker, employment secretary of the Portland Young Men's Christian association yesterday.

"Trained men, even in these times of depression, are not looking for jobs. We can't supply the demand when we get calls for high priced men. But the unskilled man is here aplenty and we can't find enough jobs to go around.

Parental carelessness is responsible for the fact that most of these men are not trained. In a large percentage of cases they could have been started on the road to education that would have elevated them above the mob. But the parents have made no effort to study the line of work for which the child is peculiarly fitted. Vocational training is lacking.

"I believe that the schools of the city should have a vocational expert, a man who will find the niche for every child in the classes he supervises.

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Meier & Frank Co. The Store of the Christmas Spirit. Established 1857. All Silks and All Wool Dress Goods Reduced in Price. Two Parcel Post Substations. A Meier & Frank Merchandise Order SOLVES THE GIFT PROBLEM.

Very Busy Days in Toytown! Only Four Days More to Buy Toys and Dolls

In Toytown, Temporary Annex No. 2, Yeon Bldg., N. E. Corner Fifth and Alder Streets.

THE INGENUITY OF TOY MAKERS seems to have reached heights never imagined possible. The result is Toys that are exact reproductions of articles in general use in the home for sport and amusement.

DOLL CABS—the famous F. A. Whitney make, are shown in complete assortment. The 1915 models include Reed Pullman, Perambulators and Chaise Carts, the latter with all wood body and red roll-edge mohair tops. The Reed Cabs are finished in French gray, old ivory and natural. Very Moderately Priced.

TOY AUTOMOBILES—have reached a stage of perfection that is marvelous. The new models in Toytown are equipped with all the latest inventions—electric lights, buzzers, windshields, folding auto tops, side doors, and even extra tires.

TOY FURNITURE—made by the well-known Ferguson Furniture Company. Every attention to workmanship and detail as in the regular output. Doll Beds of solid quarter-sawn oak, in fumed or white finish—solid mahogany Colonial style Beds and Dressers, with beveled French mirrors, solid mahogany Dining Table and Chairs to match, are a few of the novelties to be found in Toytown.

DOLLS—The most complete assortment of Dolls in the Northwest is housed in Toytown. Dressed Dolls, Character Dolls, Baby and Comic Dolls, and complete Dolls' outfits are here.

WHITTY CYCLO PLATFORMS—a gift suitable for any boy, but especially the boy athletically inclined. In different sizes, with or without punching bags—PRICED \$6, \$9 and \$12.

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TOY DISHES—include china sets, beautifully decorated, graniteware and aluminum kitchen and pastry sets, very moderately priced.

WOOLLY ANIMALS—There are dogs, bears, cats, elephants, giraffes, monkeys, sheep, rabbits—lifelike imitation. All very moderately priced.

ERECTOR AND MECCANO SETS—for the construction of bridges, buildings, etc. Sure to foster the mechanical genius of the boy. Amusement that brings in the educational phase.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS—all the newest novelties, unbreakable, and other new devices. Tree tops in a huge assortment. Lighting devices, with colored lights, fruit and flower bulbs, in serial and multiple styles.

Toytown, Temporary Annex No. 2, Yeon Bldg., N. E. Cor. 5th and Alder

Entire Stock of Dinnerware Reduced!

All Haviland & Co.'s China Dinnerware—French and Austrian China, English and American Semi-Porcelain at Reduced Prices for Four-Days' Sale. Fourth Floor, Temporary Annex No. 1.

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20% REDUCTION ON ALL FANCY SILK HOSE—EMBROIDERED OR LACE BOOTS First Floor—6th Street Bldg.

All Women's Long Gloves Reduced!

Perrin's, Trefousse, Dent's, Reynier, Ireland's, Bacmo, Vallier makes. White, black and colors. French kid, French Suede, Mocha, Cape, Chamois and Doeskin Washable Gloves. BUY YOUR GIFT GLOVES NOW!

\$2.00 12-Button White Gloves, pair \$1.39—2 pairs \$2.60. \$2.50 16-Button White Gloves, pair \$1.50—2 pairs \$2.75. \$3.00 16-Button Dent's Long Gloves, pair \$2.25—2 prs. \$4.44. All \$3.50 Long Gloves, pair \$2.98—2 pairs \$5.96. \$4.00 Perrin's, etc., Long Gloves, pair \$3.19—2 pairs \$6.38. \$5.00 Perrin's, etc., Long Gloves, pair \$3.98—2 pairs \$7.96. \$5.50 Perrin's, etc., Long Gloves, pair \$4.49—2 pairs \$8.98. First Floor, 6th St. Bldg.

Gift Furniture Distinctive and Underpriced

In Our Furniture Department Suggestions for Gifts of Furniture Carefully Selected to Facilitate Shopping From \$1.00 to \$5.00

AT \$ 3.49—WORTH \$ 6.00—Sewing Cabinet, in mahogany or oak, in waxed or fumed finish. AT \$.98—WORTH \$ 2.50—Oak Stool, in waxed finish. AT \$ 1.79—WORTH \$ 2.75—Oak Stool, with leather top, in fumed finish. AT \$ 1.98—WORTH \$ 2.75—Smoking Stand, in mahogany finish. AT \$ 2.19—WORTH \$ 2.85—Tabouret, of oak, in waxed finish. AT \$ 2.49—WORTH \$ 3.00—Burrows made Card Table. AT \$ 3.49—WORTH \$ 5.00—Reading Lamp of oak, waxed finish, amber or green glass shade. AT \$ 3.98—WORTH \$ 5.00—Smoking Stand—oak, in either fumed or wax finish. AT \$ 4.19—WORTH \$ 7.00—Telephone Chair and Stand. AT \$ 4.19—WORTH \$ 6.00—Smoking Stand—mahogany, brass trimmed, with glass ash tray. AT \$ 4.85—WORTH \$ 7.50—Cowan Muffin Stand, in mahogany.

From \$5.00 to \$10.00 AT \$ 5.00—WORTH \$ 6.00—Sewing or Bedroom Rocker. AT \$ 5.19—WORTH \$ 6.50—Costumer, in mahogany finish. AT \$ 5.85—WORTH \$ 7.50—Reed Rocker—high back. AT \$ 6.75—WORTH \$ 10.00—Grass Steamer Chair. AT \$ 6.98—WORTH \$11.00—"Lifetime" Chair or Rocker, leather auto seat, fumed or wax finish. AT \$ 7.95—WORTH \$11.00—Oak Library Table, waxed finish. AT \$ 8.98—WORTH \$12.50—Toilet Table, quartered oak or mahogany. AT \$ 9.75—WORTH \$14.00—Genuine Tennessee Cedar Chests. AT \$ 9.98—WORTH \$15.00—Princess Dressers, in white enamel finish.

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Water-colored Folders containing Handkerchiefs and Sachet. Novelties in the shape of telephones, suitcases, trunks, sleds, etc., containing Handkerchiefs. Splendid Gifts for Children.

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\$27.50 Long Kimonos \$19.75 Crepe de Chine, in all colors. Beautifully embroidered in wistaria and rose designs. \$14.00 Padded Robes \$11.85 \$10.00 Padded Robes \$ 8.95 In all colors. Plain or embroidered in attractive designs. \$10.95 Japanese Robes \$7.50 Made of Japanese Chafie, and come in beautiful colorings—rose, blues, pinks and lavender. \$15 Silk Kimonos \$11.95 Great variety of handsome colors, embroidered in attractive designs. ALL MANDARIN COATS—Regularly \$35 to \$75 NOW AT 1/4 PRICE Fifth Floor—Sixth Street Building.

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