

SECRETARY BRYAN SEES RAY OF HOPE AT VERA CRUZ, MEX.

Says He Will Not Tell What It Is Until He Becomes More Certain.

DIPLOMATS WILL LEAVE

It Is Admitted That Affairs in City of Mexico Not Promising and Oregon Is Blamed.

(By the International News Service.) Washington, March 6.—With no word from Carranza in reply to the repeated demands of this government that immediate steps be taken to relieve conditions in Mexico City it was admitted at the state department tonight that the "real crisis of the situation has arrived."

The only ray of hope lay in a dispatch received this afternoon by Secretary Bryan from Vera Cruz which he said gave "a little encouragement."

He would not say what it was. Officials of the state department and of other government departments were stirred by the publication of a report that members of the diplomatic corps in Mexico City had decided to leave in a body.

The state department was unable to obtain confirmation. It was said at the department that the report probably originated in a message received by the Swedish minister from his government informing him it had heard a rumor that the diplomatic corps at Mexico City had decided to leave and asking him if he would confirm or deny it. The Swedish minister, Mr. Ekengren, called at the state department and asked if the rumor had been verified, but the department could give him no information. The Swedish government in its message to its minister here indicated that it would not approve of its charge d'affaires leaving the city.

Officials of the state department understand that conditions in Mexico City are worse than at any time since the events that led to the landing of an American force at Vera Cruz. The situation for foreigners is extremely serious.

According to word received at the department, General Obregon has worked the populace of Mexico City up to such a pitch that any untoward event which at any other time would be a mere trifle, might precipitate bloodshed.

The state department received a dispatch today that an epidemic of smallpox is raging in Tampico. There were 29 cases in the hospital. Eight deaths had occurred in three days.

A dispatch dated March 4 from Tampico said that Carranza's forces had been defeated on March 3 at Valles, and that they had retreated to Los Palmas, where fighting was going on. A large force of Carranzistas is on the way to Tampico from the Tuzman district, and work on the fortifications at Tampico was going on day and night.

With the currency in circulation in the Mexican capital depreciated until it is practically worthless and with General Obregon admittedly in no mood to utilize his troops, to protect the legations and embassies in the event of food riots, Mexico City is no longer safe for foreigners. The people realize that in the foreign quarters most of the food is stored and hungry men and women are no respecters of persons.

It is pointed out, however, that even though the diplomats move—and the report still lacks official confirmation—their action cannot be construed as much farther complicating the situation, already intolerable. They would simply be "passing the buck" to Carranza and forcing him to accord the protection foreigners are entitled to receive.

Carranza has already been told in rather plain language that anyone responsible for mistreating foreigners will be held personally responsible when the day of reckoning arrives.

VILLA'S ACTS

Meanwhile, Villa is reported to be rapidly moving to get control in Mexico City. One detachment of his troops already has attacked the Carranzistas forces at Plaza Negativa. He is said to have scored in the initial hostilities. Another detachment, numbering more than 10,000 men, is reported to be about to attack Tampico. To offset this, General Gonzales, at the head of 12,000 Carranzistas, is moving tonight to attack Monterey, now held by Villa.

A high official at the state department in discussing the Mexico City situation tonight said:

"There is no doubt that General Obregon's incendiary utterances have inflamed the populace. The Mexican people are in a fever of excitement and the capital is not safe to foreigners. Any simple little thing might precipitate a reign of bloodshed."

EMERGENCY CLAUSE, WASHINGTON STATE, IS GIVEN HARD RAP

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CONSTANTINOPLE GOAL OF ALLIES



The lay of the land and water near Constantinople, showing the Dardanelles and Sea of Marmora, through which the Anglo-French fleet is fighting its way.

Justice Mount signs a dissenting opinion. He says there must be facts in the possession of the legislature which convinced the legislators that this bill was immediately necessary for the peace and safety of the state, as the legislators are presumed to state facts, and there is no law making any other body judge of the necessities and emergencies.

Justice Fullerton, Morris and Crow join in the dissenting opinion.

Bridge Bonds "O. K."

"The Washington supreme court's decision will have no effect on the contracts or bonds for the interstate bridge," said John Lyle Harrington, engineer for the interstate bridge commission, last night. "The bonds are drawn in accordance with the law as it stands, the contractor bid in accordance with that law, and their bids agreed to give bonds in accordance with the present law—that is, the law it was when we advertised for bids."

Compensation.

From the Philadelphia Ledger. A face may be a girl's fortune, but it is apt to be some man's misfortune.

before the Washington legislature passed the law which the governor vetoed, and which was later passed over the veto.

"The bonding companies furnished letters agreeing to give bonds in accordance with the existing laws. Every bid is covered by the bonding companies' agreements. In brief, the contractors have agreed to give bonds, the bonding companies have agreed to furnish those bonds, and the contractors' checks are up to insure that they will enter into contracts and give bonds in accordance with their bids. Thus, there is nothing disturbing to the bridge plans in the supreme court's ruling regarding the use of the emergency clause."

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SMYRNA FORTS BOMBARDED BY BRITISH FLEET

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15 miles south of the Dardanelles, were shelled by the Prince George. The casualties sustained on the fourth were 3 killed, 25 wounded and 12 missing.

"On the fifth, an attack was begun by indirect fire from the Queen Elizabeth upon the defenses of the narrow.

Battleships' Fire Accurate. "The attack was supported with the howitzers of the inflexible and the Prince George. The fire was confined to the forts Rumili, Medjidieh, Tabla, Hamidieh II and Namak, marked on the admiralty map

The Queen Elizabeth fired 29 rounds with satisfactory success. The magazine in fort 'J', which is a fort armed with the best and heaviest guns, blew up, and two other forts were damaged. The fire of the inflexible and the Prince George were observed from inside the Dardanelles by the irresistible, Canopus, Cornwallis and Albion. Although these vessels were much fired at by concealed guns, they were unhurt.

"The Sapphire again fired upon troops in the neighborhood of the Gulf of Adramiti, and destroyed the military station at Tuzburna. On March 5 the commander-in-chief of the East Indies, Vice-Admiral Sir Richard Peirse, arrived with a squadron of battleships and cruisers off Smyrna.

"A methodical bombardment of Fort Yenickale was carried out during the afternoon for two hours, under favorable conditions of weather. Thirty-two hits were secured, inflicting terrible damage upon the forts. There were two heavy explosions, apparently of magazines. The Euryalus, which flew the flag of the vice-admiral, shot with remarkable accuracy from her after 2.3-inch guns. The fire was not returned.

"Bombardment at closer range has now begun. Weather conditions are good. The reduction of the Smyrna defenses is a necessary incident of the main operations."

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EXPERT REVIEW OF THE WAR

BY J.W.T. MASON

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Death Letter Was Too Late to Save

Sanatillo Man Receives Note From Wife Telling Him She Plans to Die

San Francisco, March 6.—Hurryling to this city today on receipt of a message from his wife that she intended to kill herself and her two-year-old daughter, Eugenia, D. Winter, of San Jose, Cal., today rushed into the woman's apartment and found that she had carried out her threat. She lay on her bed, unconscious, with the child clasped in her arms. Both will die. Mrs. Winter had turned on all the gas jets in her apartment. She is reported to have quarreled with her husband yesterday.

MAINE SINKING MYSTERY

New York, March 6.—Much mystery tonight shrouds the loss of the Maine today of the battleship Maine at Brooklyn navy yard. The vessel which is being used as a receiving ship was lying in shallow water just off its dock today when part of its hold suddenly filled with water. The big vessel sank only a short distance, as it struck bottom and rested there. The decks were not submerged.

Held to Grand Jury.

Gus Kropas, an expressman at Fourth and Couch streets, arrested Wednesday afternoon by City Detective John Price, was bound over to the grand jury in municipal court yesterday afternoon on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. Sam Kaulas, the complaining witness, appeared in court sufficiently recovered from his knife wounds to testify against Kropas. His witnesses were lacking, however. Kaulas charged that the defendant had bought them off by paying each witness \$5. It is probable an investigation will be made of the charge.

In dead and wounded. Our losses in both engagements were six men killed and a few wounded.

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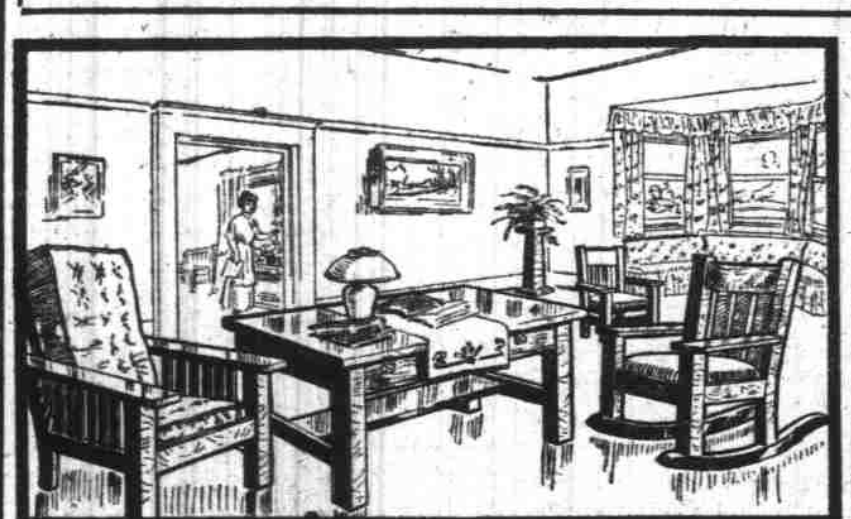
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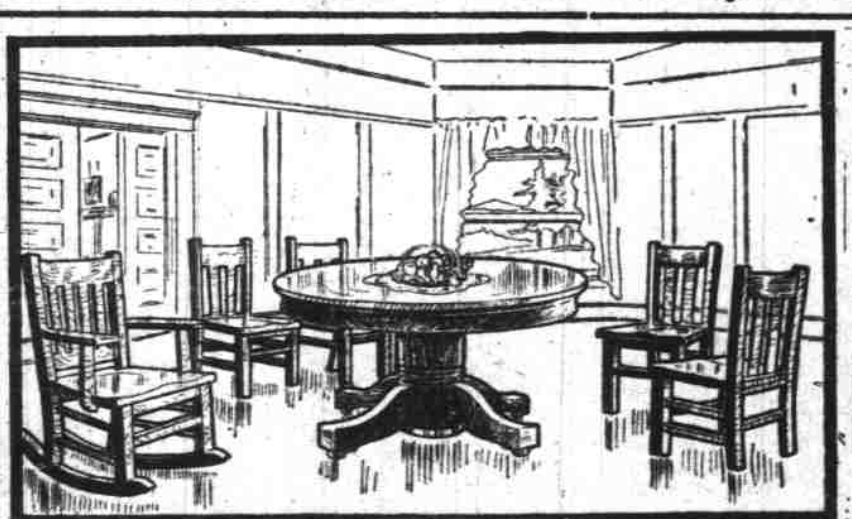
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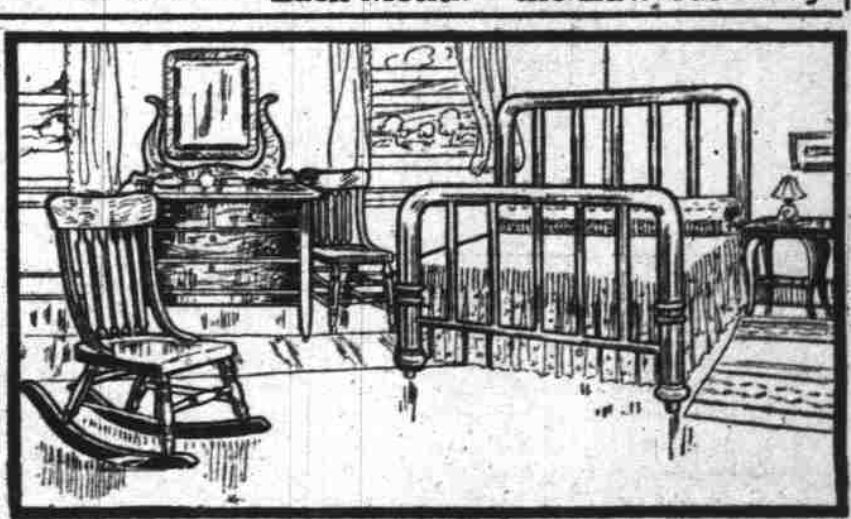
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