

FIGHTING NOW GOING ON MAY DETERMINE DESTINY OF MEXICO

Reports From Various Quarters Indicate Real Clash in Progress Between Factions

CARRANZA'S LAST STAND

If Villa Wins He and Zapata May Be Kept in Line by President Wilson's Representative.

By John Edwin Nevin, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Washington, March 20.—The real clash to decide Mexico's destiny seems commencing. Advices tonight, from various quarters all indicate that general fighting is in progress in more than a dozen points. Villa is moving against Carranza at Vera Cruz and Tampico. All signs indicate that Carranza is about to make his last stand.

Officials pointed out tonight that the presence at Havana of Duval West, President Wilson's personal representative, is most significant. He will reach Vera Cruz by the middle of next week and is expected to go direct to Mexico City. Should Villa win, as officials here expect, West will be in position to act with the Brazilian minister in keeping Villa and Zapata in line.

The administration is anxious that West should at least appear to be working with the Brazilian diplomat. World Furnish Money.

The plan is to demonstrate that the United States is honestly assuming an unselfish attitude toward Mexico, and wants Latin America's moral assistance in bringing order out of chaos there.

When the time comes for a settlement the administration expects to be able to assure the new permanent government of Mexico recognition by all of the nations on this hemisphere and to furnish them money that will be needed to place a real Mexican government on its feet.

If Villa wins the United States will frankly demand that the land question be settled in the people's interest and that honest, representative administrations are made possible through real universal suffrage.

Delegation Makes Appeal. West will assure the winning factions—there is no doubt that the administration feels certain Villa will dominate—that the administration has resisted the most violent pressure to intervene forcibly in Mexico, that behind all the Mexican fighting has been a deep seated wrong which for Mexico's salvation had to be worked out with violence and he will ask that the United States be given better assurance than it has yet received that the rights of foreigners and the Mexican people themselves are to be respected.

A delegation of wealthy Heben plantation owners appealed to the state department today for protection for their property in Yucatan. They declared themselves willing to pay any tax levied by whoever was in control, but wanted to be permitted to conduct their own business in their own way. The state department told them frankly it could not interfere; that their appeals should be made direct to Carranza.

Talked Too Much Religion, Alleged

Alleging that her husband, Warren W. Crowder, talked religion at the dinner table to such an extent that he had a row with his boarding house keeper which resulted in a \$1500 damage verdict for Mrs. Young, the proprietor of the boarding house, and then blamed her for the judgment against him, Mrs. Mary E. Crowder yesterday filed suit for divorce, alleging cruelty. Other divorce suits filed were: Fred Reilly against Betsy Reilly, desertion; Otella M. Holden against Edward Holden, cruelty; and Anna Endres against Oscar Endres, cruelty.

'PAINLESS' PARKER IS TO SUE H. HUME FOR \$8000 LABEL, MONDAY

Second Suit to Be Based on Articles Published in Spectator Yesterday.

Edgar R. ("Painless") Parker announced last night that he will institute suit Monday for \$8000 for libel against Hugh Hume, editor of the Spectator, a local weekly paper. Parker sued Hume for articles attacking his reputation as a dentist, printed last fall during the political campaign in which Parker was the sponsor of an initiative measure relating to the practice of dentistry.

The case was tried in the circuit court before Judge Gatens, and resulted last week in a verdict for Parker, with an allowance of \$1 damages. Parker's second suit will be based on an article appearing in the Spectator yesterday, reiterating statements made in the former articles, one of which is reprinted. The first suit was for \$20,000, for alleged damages not only to Parker's reputation and feelings, but to his business as well. Damages for business injury were later omitted, and the demand reduced to \$8000 for damages to reputation and feelings.

"Apparently, from today's article, the Spectator considers a dollar the standard price for the privilege of acting as a character assassin," said Parker last night, "and it is believed the privilege is cheap enough at the price for it to continue the practice indefinitely."

The verdict completely vindicated Dr. Parker, said Thomas Mannix, Parker's attorney. "The jury exonerated him of the Spectator's charges and fixed damages at a dollar, apparently because it considered that Dr. Parker wanted vindication rather than remuneration. Dr. Parker proved, by the findings of the jury, that the articles were false and libelous. In the face of this fact, the Spectator repeats the statements and asserts they are true. The articles on which the former suit was based were reprinted, it would seem, for the purpose of showing the Spectator's contempt of the jury's findings, made in accord with Judge Gatens' instructions."

Articles of Incorporation. Articles of incorporation of the California Animated Advertising Company, capitalized at \$5000, were filed yesterday with County Clerk Coffey by J. M. Colon, F. E. Grigsby and I. B. Cornell. Articles of Lane Johnson, Inc., fullerton, capitalized at \$5000, were filed by C. H. Lane, C. E. Johnson and F. H. Whitfield.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CITY HALL--C. A. BIGELOW

Commissioner of Finance Is Watchdog of Municipal Treasury.



C. A. Bigelow, Commissioner of Finance.

By Claude M. Bristol. In the municipal court, Commissioner Bigelow was dubious. He questioned the advisability of hiring an attorney to defend those arrested. He had the council delay action so he could investigate.

In seeking information he talked to Municipal Judge Stevenson, Chief of Police Clark, District Attorney Evans, City Attorney La Roche and his deputies handling police court work, lawyers, circuit judges and laymen, and then voted against the ordinance creating the position. In opposing the measure he said he was not convinced of the necessity of a public defender at a salary of \$150 per month as proposed, although he would consider a salaried position if the council would also defend in civil matters those financially embarrassed.

Before the council took final action on the motion picture censorship ordinance, Commissioner Bigelow spent several hours interviewing motion picture theatre proprietors.

While he believed that improper pictures should be barred he was opposed to spending \$100 a month for a paid censor. His plan was to obviate the paid censor, lay down rules for the picture men to follow, then revoke their license if they were found guilty of offenses.

Commissioner Bigelow believes that all ordinances should be enforced strictly, even if he has to assist in this work himself. This may, perhaps, sound rather strange, but he has probably personally arrested more violators than all the other commissioners combined. There is not another commissioner who has taken more personal interest in prosecutions of law violators than the commissioner of finance.

Not long ago the license department had trouble with hucksters who persisted in evading provisions of the license code. Every time he was on the streets he kept an eye open for hucksters with wrong license tags. He was in his own machine one day on the way to see some street improvements when he passed a huckster's wagon having an improper sign. At first the man was inclined to laugh at Commissioner Bigelow, but soon he discovered his mistake, and was on his way to the city hall to pay his proper license fee and get a proper tag.

Watches Beggars. Recently men came to the commissioner's home seeking money. They said they wanted it to purchase food. Instead of money he gave them food. Their looks, however, were suspicious and he decided to watch them. Before he stopped them they had solicited from nearly a dozen houses and had collected considerable money. They were taken to the police station.

The success of the public market is due to a great extent to the work of Commissioner Bigelow. Shortly after the market was established it was turned over to his department and he has had exclusive charge of it since. Those on the market who are not bona fide producers fear him, for he has more in this class to fall than all the policemen in town.

Go down to the market some busy morning. Make it a point to get there about 6 o'clock. You will notice a short man wearing glasses walking from booth to booth gazing at the wares and the dealers. A question here and a question there, then it's up to the producer with the unfamiliar face to explain about his farm and the vegetables produced.

Always Makes Investigation. Even though an explanation is given it is not always sufficient. If Commissioner Bigelow becomes suspicious he will spend Saturday afternoon in the country looking up the farms. If

the farm products grow as represented all well and good, but if they do not grow on the farm the would-be producer and the public market bid one another farewell. Usually the pretender goes to the municipal judge to explain.

Considerable trouble was encountered at first with these imposters and it was not until several had been heavily fined and the penalty for violations of the market ordinance increased that would-be producers learned their lesson.

His interest in his work is exceeded only by his interest in his play. If you want to see him at play, stroll into the bowling alley where they have the bowling tournaments, especially when there is a tournament.

Just a Fair Bowler. There you will find the commissioner of finance with his coat off, his sleeves rolled up and a pair of white gymnasium shoes on his feet, rolling the balls. He does not profess to be a crack bowler and says he only tries to bowl.

As he thinks 195 pounds too much for him to carry he has taken to bowling to reduce his weight. The more he plays the more he wants to play.

Commissioner Bigelow never touches alcoholic drinks nor tobacco in any form and says he gets just as much enjoyment out of life as those who have those habits. He says he tried smoking several years ago, but did not stay with it long enough to get the habit.

He is truly a product of the east side, where he was in business for 20 years and was made his home there during the entire time.

Longs for Farm Life. Like others on the commission he is a self made man. He started buying his own clothes when 9 years old and has purchased them ever since. He is married and has a son 13 years old, owns his home and automobile, and is contented with his lot. He sometimes longs, however, to be back on the farm. Believing that the time will come when he can go back to the simple life, he has purchased a half a dozen acres a few miles from Portland and is now having it improved.

When 19 years old he left Olympia to come to Portland. The first job

was with W. H. Markell on the east side. That was in 1894 and he stayed with his employer until he had been promoted from janitor and general roustabout to junior member of the firm.

In 1911 he served through the session of the legislature as representative and made a notable record. He did not take the initial steps to become a candidate for city commissioner. As a matter of fact he still retains the original petition circulated by members of the East Side Business Men's Club asking him to become a candidate. Before he had been presented with the petition the idea of running never had occurred to him.

He was elected, however, and when the mayor organized the various departments he placed C. A. Bigelow in charge of the department of finance and he has been holding down this job since July 1, 1913. He has charge of the purchase of the municipal garage and shops, the bureau of public markets and the bureau of licenses.

States Alone Can Enforce Game Laws. United States Judge Pollock in Kansas Says Federal Migratory Bird Law Is Unconstitutional, Therefore.

Topeka, Kan., March 20.—The federal migratory bird law was held unconstitutional today in a decision by United States District Judge Pollock. The ruling declared that only the states have jurisdiction over the protection of game.

Merchants Indorse Consolidation Plan. The Portland Retail Merchants' association took official action yesterday looking to its becoming a part of the New Portland Chamber of Commerce.

At a meeting of members held at the Commercial club the following resolution was adopted unanimously: That we affiliate with the New Chamber of Commerce, in accordance with the plan outlined by H. V. Chase, to take effect upon the inauguration of the new organization, and that the details of the consolidation, so far as this body is concerned, be left to and arranged by our executive committee.

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Surprise Greeting Is Given Physician

Dr. E. B. McDaniel, Chief Surgeon of North Bank Road, Honored on His Birthday.

Representatives of all departments of the North Bank system joined in a genuine surprise greeting for Dr. E. B. McDaniel, chief surgeon of the railway company, at his home on Melinda avenue last evening.

It was the forty-second anniversary of the doctor's birth and in order to commemorate the event the men of the railway headquarters presented him with a handsome easy chair.

The presentation on behalf of the visitors was made by D. C. Freeman, Henry H. Keck and J. G. Freck. The guests had assembled at his home at an early hour and Dr. McDaniel was not aware of what was in store for him until he was ushered into the dining room, where an elegant dinner was spread.

After the felicitations of the happy occasion, music and story telling occupied the remainder of the evening. Those present were: W. C. Wilkes, R. H. Crozier, M. Sheedy, C. A. Vermillion, P. H. Fohl, G. E. Johnson, E. Pearson, G. Nelson, H. H. Keck, S. E. Clark, J. G. Freck, D. C. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Reese, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. McDaniel, Dr. and Mrs. Roy McDaniel, Miss Dorothy McDaniel, Sherman E. Reese, Miss Birdie McDaniel. Other representatives from the railway company were invited but were unable to attend.

Notified That Government Has Returned Chateau Taken From Them at Outbreak of War.

New York, March 20.—Mrs. William Ellis Corey, formerly Mabelle Gilman, and her husband sailed today on the Adriatic for their chateau, 33 miles out of Paris.

Shortly after the outbreak of the war their estate was turned over to the French government as a cattle grazing ground and concentration camp. Mrs. Corey recently received word that the government had decided to return it for her use this summer.

"We shall remain there three or four months," said Mrs. Corey. "We want to make a study of the conditions of the poor with the desire of creating employment for the women and the old men who have not been called to the front."

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Our Bedding Department is growing rapidly. The values offered in this department are recognized by our customers as setting a standard not equaled elsewhere. Note these specials for this week:

Reg. \$1.50 Comforters **\$1.10**
Reg. \$2.00 Comforters **\$1.45**
Reg. \$3.75 Wool-Finish Blankets, size 72x80, weight 4 1/2 lbs., sp1 **\$2.85**
—Second Floor, Main Store

Pillow Special

Regular \$4.00 Pillows of standard size, made of pure, clean feathers, special, pair... **\$2.70**
—Second Floor, Main Store

Staple Garland Ranges

This splendid Garland Range is built of Wellsville blue steel, with asbestos lining, sanitary base, aluminum oven of heavy gauge steel, with aerated feature, which supplies ventilation and freshly heated air throughout. Top of heavy cast iron, braced to prevent sagging. High closet of Wellsville polished steel, with revolving sheet steel top. The highest standard of any range on the market.

18-inch oven **\$50.00**
16-inch oven **\$45.00**
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\$1.35 Brussels Carpets at 92c

Best quality Brussels, with or without borders; factory-dropped patterns; sewed, lined and laid. To close, yard... **92c**

\$15 Brussels Rugs for \$11.75

A large variety of floral and Oriental patterns in 9x12 best Brussels Rugs. Regular \$15 quality; your choice **\$11.75** this week for...

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Regular \$1.75 Axminster Rugs, 27x54; mottled centers with fancy borders. Very special at... **\$1.10**
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