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ARMED MEXICANS CROSS BORDER AND RAID AMERICAN RANCHES

DIAZ IS FORCING MADERO AND LATTER'S DOWNFALL IS NEAR

Conflict Continues in Mexico City and Situation Hourly Grows More Desperate--Food Supply Short

AMERICAN EMBASSY IS TARGET FOR BULLETS

Washington, Feb. 18.—Gen. Diaz is rapidly winning control of Mexico City and Madero's downfall hourly grows nearer. This is the gist of uncensored dispatches from Ambassador Wilson, who reported to the state department that in the continuous conflict of yesterday and part of last night the Diaz forces steadily advanced. He declared that Diaz will soon control the residential part of the city. He said that in the fierce fighting the federalists suffered enormous losses. The American embassy was repeatedly in the line of fire and was struck by many bullets which did little damage. Wilson said the dead and wounded were mostly Maderolists. He reported he was unable to ascertain the amount of damage to the federal stronghold. Firing has been fierce during the entire revolt. The ambassador's dispatches indicate that the condition in Mexico City is approaching chaos. Unburied corpses threaten a pestilence. The red cross and white cross organizations have disbanded. Troops are poorly fed and are becoming desperate. The American embassy apparently is the only spot of refuge in the whole city. There Wilson has established a zone of safety where the strictest sanitation is enforced. The gravity of official dispatches contrasted with the censored press telegrams is believed to prove that Madero is trying desperately to conceal the condition of his cause. Most of the dispatches are being delayed.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Official dispatches received say hundreds of refugees are arriving at Vera Cruz. The refugees declared the food supplies in Mexico City are steadily diminishing and the natives of the city are reported greatly aroused over the situation. The state department admittedly is worried over the situation at Manzanillo where the anti-American sentiment is growing.

CONSTANTINOPLE IN DANGER FROM FIRE

Constantinople, Feb. 18.—A fire which threatened the famous Mosque of St. Sophia was extinguished this morning after fifteen hundred houses had been destroyed. The loss is unknown.

RAILWAY VALUATION BILL IS AMENDED

Washington, Feb. 18.—The La Follette-Adams railway valuation bill was tentatively amended at a hearing before the senate interstate commerce committee to extend the value to telegraph and express property, as well as any other "common carriers of interstate commerce."

BROTHERHOOD OF FIREMEN WIN A VICTORY WHEN RAILROADS AGREE TO SETTLEMENT BY ARBITRATION

New York, Feb. 18.—Complete victory for the Firemen's Brotherhood against the fifty four eastern railroads was secured in the railroad's acceptance of arbitration today. The Brotherhood named Albert Phillips, of Sacramento, its representative in the arbitration board and the railroads named W. W. Atterbury, general manager of the Pennsylvania system. It is declared the railroads' manifesto insists on the public hearing their side of the strike question. They recite their objections to the Erdman act, the principal one being that "the responsibility which ultimately would

POINCARÉ INAUGURATED PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 18.—Raymond Poincaré was inaugurated president of France today. Premier Briand accompanied Poincaré to the Champ Elysee in a carriage headed by a procession of government and civil military attaches. Fallières briefly welcomed Poincaré. The insignia of the Grandmaster of the Legion of Honor was handed Poincaré and the ceremony was over.

TAFT'S ESTIMATE IS GREATLY SLICED

Washington, Feb. 18.—The sundry civil appropriation bill carrying a total of \$113,371,615, including \$4,870,000 for Panama canal forts, was reported to the house by the appropriations committee. It also recommended \$16,265,393 for the construction work.

The committee cut the president's estimates by \$25,519,020 and the total carried by the bill is \$4,855,368 under the appropriations of the current fiscal year. The bill omits the proposed appropriation of \$75,000 to continue the president's inquiry into methods of transacting public business but allows \$25,000 for the president's traveling expenses. The total appropriations recommended for expenses of the executive mansion including the traveling expenses of the president is \$410,600 an increase of \$20,000 altogether for the White House.

The so-called economy committee, officially termed the president's commission on economy and efficiency, consisting of Frederick A. Cleveland, chairman; Walter W. Warwick and Merrill O. Chance, secretary and a corps of clerical assistants will cease existence on June 30 next unless the house or senate restores the item relating to it. The president had recommended \$250,000 for the next fiscal year.

The committee also eliminated the recommendation of \$170,000 for military structures for the Philippines and the \$200,000 recommended for suppression of white slave traffic. It directed that hereafter vacancies on the board of managers of the national homes for disabled veterans remain unfilled till the number is reduced to five.

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN SPY KILLED BY A BOMB

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—Details of the murder by revolutionists at Tiflis of Marie Bachadze, reputed to have been the most beautiful woman in Russia, were received here. The woman was a spy in the service of the secret police. Former comrades sentenced her to death on this account and she was in continual fear. A few days ago a workman left a bag of cherries at police headquarters for her. Shortly after it was delivered a bomb beneath the fruit exploded killing her instantly and fearfully mangled her body.

Posse is in Pursuit of Band Which Steals Many Horses and Large Quantity of Supplies--Marines are Being Sent to Cuba to be Ready for Duty if Needed.

El Paso, Feb. 18.—Bands of armed and mounted Mexicans crossed the border at West Alpine, raiding the Hancock, Haley and Wilson ranches. They took many horses and a great quantity of supplies. A posse is pursuing.

Washington, Feb. 18.—By Sunday two thousand marines, ready for immediate use in Mexico, will have been landed at Guantanamo, Cuba. The transports Meade and McClellan will leave Norfolk tomorrow. The government still retains its non-intervention policy but is preparing for action if the wanton slaying of Americans and other foreigners should start in Mexico.

WELL KNOWN FARMER CALLED BY DEATH

After lying ill in the St. Anthony hospital for three weeks, Andrew D. Rhonimus, well known farmer of the headwaters of McKay creek, passed away yesterday morning and his body was interred this afternoon in the Olney cemetery. He was aged about eighty years and death resulted from a general breakdown following an attack of lagrippe.

Deceased was a native of Clinton county, Ohio, and spent his youth in the Buckeye state, enlisting in the Eleventh Ohio Infantry during the Civil War and serving through several bloody campaigns. Later he lived in Kansas and Nebraska, practicing law and publishing a newspaper. In the early eighties he came west, settling first in Touchet, Washington and later taking up a homestead about 25 miles up McKay creek.

There for the past 15 years he had lived alone, apparently desiring no companionship. He was a man who had more than an ordinary education but during his residence in this country has been content to live on his little farm with but little association with his fellow man.

He has one sister living in Pueblo, Colo., and one supposed to be living in San Francisco and a nephew, L. McCadden, is engaged in the sheep business in Midvale, Idaho. The relatives have been notified of his death but the remains are in charge of Samuel Jackson of Ontario, who has been the friend of the deceased for a half century.

DIVORCE BILL IS PASSED IN NEVADA

Reno, Feb. 18.—Nevada's divorce industry received a death blow in the state senate at Carson, when the Barnes amendment providing for a one year residence as a primary requisite to an application for legal separation was adopted by a vote of 20 to 1. The measure, known as the Barnes bill, had received the approval of Governor Oddie and had been adopted in assembly. Yesterday's vote was a surprise to the supporters of the bill as well as to its opponents. Governor Oddie announced that he would sign the bill as soon as it reached his office.

In the last two years 1291 suits for divorce have been filed in Reno, a city of 12,000 population. There are probably six hundred divorce seekers in the city at the present time.

Following the adoption of the Barnes bill a movement was begun by the alumni association of the Nevada University to increase the attendance at the university. It had been charged parents would not send their children to the university in this city because of the presence of the divorce colony.

The Barnes bill does not become effective until January 1, 1914. This will not interfere with the suits of present residents but it is expected to discourage the immigration of future divorce seekers.

Drunks and Disorderlies. There were six offenders in police court this morning. Cleve Body, who created a disturbance at the boxing bout last evening after making an entrance without a ticket, was booked on a d. and d. charge and is sojourning for five days in jail. John Dozier, who was arrested for a similar offense in the same place, forfeited bail of ten dollars. Edward Gibson, Tim O'Neil, M. Hand and Charles Switzer, all drunk, took three day sentences in jail.

The state department has almost abandoned hope the Mexico City situation is clearing and hopes the American residents and other foreigners will leave as quickly as possible. Ambassador Wilson wired he fears the pestilence in Mexico City is increasing as a result of the unburied dead, the destruction of the sewers, the failure of the water supply and the shortage of fresh food.

New York, Feb. 18.—With a thousand marines aboard, the Connecticut sailed for Guantanamo today. Several hundred marines took train for Philadelphia where they will board a transport equipped for active service.

SUFFRAGISTS ARE SENT TO PRISON

MAN AMONG THE NUMBER

He smashed windows and says he will continue until the government recognizes rights of women—None Given Option of Fine—American Woman is Sentenced.

London, Feb. 18.—William Lansbury a male suffragette, Sylvia Pankhurst, and Cecilia Emmerson an American, were sentenced to two months in jail for malicious destruction of property. Lansbury smashed windows in the Bromley town hall. "I don't care," shouted Lansbury as he left the dock. "I will continue to break windows until the government recognizes the rights of the poor and the women."

Amie Lansbury, his sister and two others, who refused their names, were sentenced to one month. None was given the option of a fine. During the progress of the hearing suffragettes in the court room shouted, "Keep the flag flying. Vote for women."

BARNEY SHERRY WINS HONORS AT RODEO

Barney Sherry, well known Umatilla county farmer and racehorse owner, was successful in winning both the men's and ladies' relay races at the Los Angeles Rodeo which closed yesterday after an eight day exhibition. This was the news received by the local Round-up directorate this morning in a telegram received from Henry W. Collins, who was representing the local institution at the southern California show. Johnnie and Tillie Baldwin, Round-up favorites who entered the Rodeo contests from this city, were riding the Sherry relay strings. Sherry had been ruled out of the races on an alleged foul but was reinstated and declared the winner.

Tillie Baldwin took first prize in the ladies' trick riding contest but either did not enter the bucking contest or failed to make her usual showing for Prairie Rose of Idaho won first with Hazel Walker second and Bertha Dukes third.

In the cowboys bucking contest, Clark won first place, Art Accord second and Smith third.

Johnny Baldwin only took third place in the cowboys' trick riding contest. Agee capturing first and Hoxie second. Collins concludes his telegram with the statement that the Rodeo was a good show but not in the class of the Round-up.

DILLINGHAM BILL GOES OVER VETO

Washington, Feb. 18.—Overriding President Taft's veto the senate passed the Dillingham-Burnett immigration bill, containing the literacy test. It provides no person shall enter this country who cannot read and write his native language.

Masons to Observe Feb. 22. The Masons of this city will observe the birthday of George Washington on Saturday evening with appropriate exercises to which the families of all Masons and all Masons not belonging to the local chapter are invited. The first president was a member of the Masonic order.

MADERO WOULD RELINQUISH HIS OFFICE TILL FIGHT IS ENDED

ROY W. RITNER IS NEW SECRETARY OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Roy W. Ritner is the new secretary of the Pendleton Commercial association, succeeding Charles E. Heard, who resigned last week. The appointment was officially announced this morning by President J. F. Robinson, whose action was endorsed by

ROY W. RITNER



Mr. Ritner was chosen secretary of the Commercial Association last night to succeed Charles E. Heard who resigned.

President-elect J. V. Tallman, and while he will not actually take up the reins of his office until March 1, he will attend to the correspondence and lighter duties until that time also.

The new secretary needs no introduction to the local public as he is a Pendleton product. At present he is engaged in farming on the reservation with his brother-in-law, W. A. Storie, but during the next year he will have charge only of the buying and selling end of the partnership which he can manage as well in the city as on the farm. Hence, his occupation will not interfere with his duties as secretary.

Mr. Ritner has been identified with the Round-up since its inception and is at present vice president and business manager of that institution. He is also vice president of the Pendleton baseball club and is the local representative on the directorate of the Western Tri-State league.

The appointment is meeting with a universal endorsement by the business men and club members. Mr. Ritner being generally regarded as a man ideally qualified for the position.

SERVIA TRAINS BIG GUNS ON ADRIANOPE

Belgrade, Feb. 18.—Serbia has sent thirty of its heaviest siege guns to Adrianople with an order to continue the bombardment uninterruptedly until the city surrenders. Destruction of Adrianople is predicted unless the garrison yields.

ONE DEAD; 2 ARE INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Eugene, Ore., Feb. 18.—Alexander Wasenglad, an Austrian, was killed and two were injured when the roof of tunnel No. 1 on the Eugene and Coos Bay railroad, 23 miles west of here, caved in. The men were putting in a blast when a portion of the roof fell on them.

GOVERNOR PLEADS FOR THE REPEAL OF THOMPSON SWAMP LAND BILL; WRANGLING MARKS SESSION TODAY

Salem, Ore., Feb. 18.—Governor West sent a message to the house today urging the passage of representative Schuebel's bill which has for its purpose the repealing of the Thompson swamp land bill, which passed over the governor's veto. In his message he urged that something be done for the smaller institutions of learning, advising the house that the passage of the Thompson bill will

is Ready to Agree to Temporary President Who Would Control Government During Hostilities.

DISPATCHES CENSORED

Lull in Fighting Comes This Morning—Madero's Troops Said to Hold Y. M. C. A. Building Captured from Diaz—Government Has Seized all the Newspapers.

Mexico City, Feb. 18.—Foreign Minister Lascurain announced this afternoon that Madero has agreed to the appointment of a president ad interim who will take charge of the government until Madero and Diaz have ended their conflict.

Mexico City, Feb. 18.—(Censored)—Two cannon shots, the first break in the stillness of the morning were fired at ten o'clock. It is not known which side fired. It became quiet again immediately.

Mexico City, Feb. 18.—(Censored)—The guns of the Madero and Diaz forces remained silent for many hours after daylight today. No reason was assigned for the inaction but it was said at the national palace that no armistice was in effect. It is expected the firing will be resumed at noon. The forces occupy practically the same positions as on yesterday.

The Maderolists sources issue a statement that the troops which captured the Y. M. C. A. building from Diaz yesterday, still hold it. This is not verified but if true it means that Diaz has experienced a serious setback.

Mexico City, Feb. 18.—Because of the strict censorship over outgoing and incoming press dispatches Ambassador Wilson plans to operate a small newspaper in Mexico City for the benefit of Americans and other foreigners. The Mexican government has seized all the newspapers plants.

Douglas, Ariz., Feb. 18.—After wounding Captain Alajares of the Mexican army and two of his men, three Orozco sympathizers are fleeing southward into Sonora with a detachment of federal cavalry at their heels. The rebels were recognized at Agua Prieta across the boundary from here and Alajares attempted to capture them. None of the rebels are believed wounded. The shooting caused an uproar in the Mexican barracks where it was reported the rebels had attacked the post.

BUCKAROO MANAGER WILL BE SELECTED

A manager of the 1913 Pendleton team of the Western Tri-state league will be chosen tonight in all probability, a meeting of the board of directors for that purpose having been called. It will be held in the Commercial club rooms.

Terry McKune, crack little second baseman who at present belongs to Portland, is the man most likely to be selected, but, of course, it is not known whether or not he will accept a proposition. Missoula of the Union association and Tacoma and Victoria of the Northwest league would like to get the fast little second sacker but it is believed that he would prefer to manage a team of his own.

McKune has been highly recommended to Pendleton both as a player and manager and his selection would probably meet with popular approval. However, there are several other men under consideration. Both Ledell and Nadeau of last year's team want the job but neither is likely to get it. The baseball finance committee is out again this afternoon in search of funds and is meeting with good success. Several more hundred dollars were raised yesterday afternoon but as yet the committee has really not begun to work.

prevent the state from securing title to several hundred thousand acres of land which would be sold for the benefit of the common school funds. Following the reading of the message a motion was made to indefinitely postpone the bill but was lost. It was then voted to place the bill on the calendar for a third reading. Nothing but wrangling marked the session today.