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# RUMORED MADERO SECRETLY EXECUTED

## DIAZ CERTAIN TO BE ELECTED AS PRESIDENT

People Welcome Return to Dictatorship Practised by Elder Diaz—Ex-President Madero Believed to Have Been Secretly Executed.

"You Are Avenged"—Gustavo Madero Is Dead" Cables Young Diaz to Old Tyrant.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 20.—General Felix Diaz is certain to be the next president of Mexico. He is extremely popular with the people who welcome a return of the methods which Porfirio Diaz exercised so successfully over the republic for more than a score of years. Meanwhile General Huerta rules as provisional president. The campaign to make General Diaz president will start soon and he probably will be elected without opposition. The Diaz following is demanding the execution of former President Madero and his fate is uncertain.

The capital was quiet today with business rapidly resuming its normal condition.

**Madero's Fate Unknown**

No word concerning the fate of former President Madero was obtainable today and crowds gathered in the street and discussed this fact. Many persons here, however, believe that Madero has been secretly executed but so far as can be learned there is no information for the belief.

General Felix Diaz today sent the following cable to Porfirio Diaz who was driven from the presidency by Francisco I. Madero:

"You are avenged. Gustavo Madero is dead."

It is generally believed here that if General Diaz controls the councils of the provisional government that he will insist on Francisco Madero's death. Azcona and Jesus Ureta, former Madero leaders, who fled after Diaz gained control were captured at Apizaco this morning while enroute to Vera Cruz. Wholesale arrests of men favorable to the former president's cause are expected.

**Only Maderist Free**

Ernesto Madero, former minister of finance and uncle of the deposed president is the only Maderista leader unarrested.

General Diaz this afternoon rejected all responsibility for the executions of Gustavo Madero and Adolph Basso, former superintendent of the national palace.

## MAIL ORDERS SLUMP IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Prices of prominent stocks crumbled under the weight of liquidation of department store, mail order and other industrial issues in the stock market today. Sears-Roebuck slumped 8 1/2 points. Tennessee Copper was strong and Canadian Pacific gained a point. In the inactive specialties Insead preferred fell two points and Studenbaker three points.

The market closed dull. Bonds were steady.

## KENT SLATED FOR JOB WITH WILSON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—It is practically certain that Congressman William Kent, progressive from the First California district, will be a member of President Woodrow Wilson's cabinet, according to a story under a Trenton, N. J., date appearing in the New York World today.

Kent admits he has been in communication with Wilson but declines to discuss the reports of his selection as a cabinet official.

## NOTABLE CHARACTERS CONNECTED WITH MEXICAN REVOLUTION, NOW NEARING ITS CLOSE



FRANCISCO I. MADERO



SEÑOR DON FRANCISCO DE LA BARRA



GENERAL FELIX DIAZ



SEÑORA SARA MADERO, WIFE OF FRANCISCO MADERO AND SENORITA MEJIA, PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER, WHITE CROSS SOCIETY, MEXICO.



RAFAEL HERNANDEZ

## SEATTLE SCENE SUIT TO BREAK TELEPHONE TRUST

SEATTLE, Feb. 20.—Seattle is soon to be the scene of the biggest trust busting suit filed in the United States since the Standard Oil company was dissolved.

Within a week according to present reports, a civil suit is to be filed by the department of justice here for the dissolution of the American Telephone and Telegraph company for violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The federal grand jury in session now is also considering this case and it is more possible that at the same time or within a few weeks criminal action may be taken against the officials of the same company, similar to that taken against the National Cash Register company, which resulted in jail sentences for twenty-eight of its officials.

Word of this investigation first became public through complaints filed by Samuel Hill, head of the Home Telephone company of Portland, who found himself cut off from communication with subscribers to independent telephone companies in Seattle and Tacoma, when the Pacific States company absorbed them. Hill refused to be absorbed and demanded relief.

## SEVEN CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH IN HOME

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 20.—Seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith were cremated in the burning of the Smith home near the village of Oberlin, Pa., last night. The children ranged from one to twelve years. It is stated here today that Smith and his wife locked the doors of their home to keep the children from going out while they went to church. They arrived home too late to aid in the work of rescue.

An overturned lamp is believed to have been the cause of the fire.

## SOLONS THANKED BY WILSON FOR LEGISLATION

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 20.—In a statement concerning the corporation bills he caused to be introduced into the legislature, Governor Wilson declared today:

"Those who would engage in the practice of ruining their rivals and filching from the pockets of the people, are the only ones having cause to regret the enactment of these bills."

Wilson discussed the bills in detail, congratulated the legislature and declared the purpose of the measures is "to strike down monopolies in restraint of trade, big and little."

## SUFFRAGETTES BURN PAVILION IN KEW GARDENS

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The pavilion and restaurant in the famous botanical gardens around Kew Palace were fired by suffragettes at 3 a. m. today and destroyed. Lillian Lenton and Joyce Locke, militant suffragettes were captured while trying to escape. Each carried a portmanteau containing paraphernalia for starting fires.

The walls of the pavilion were soaked with kerosene oil and shavings and cotton were piled on the floor. "Votes for women" cards were scattered everywhere.

The Richmond fire department prevented the flames from spreading to other buildings after a hard battle.

Arraigned in the Richmond police court the two girls assumed a defiant air. Miss Locke demanded her release on bail and when this was denied threatened to start a hunger strike.

"You cannot frighten or intimidate this court," the magistrate answered. Miss Locke seized several lawbooks and papers and hurled them at the magistrate, but he escaped unhurt. Attendants seized and overpowered the girls but they fought back fiercely.

The prisoners were committed to jail without bail and were carried screaming from the court room. Mrs. Drummond, a militant suffragette leader was jubilant over the vandalism of Miss Lenton and Miss Locke.

"How perfectly lovely of them," she said. "I am proud of such women."

## FAKE POOL ROOM SWINDLERS RAIDED

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 20.—Following the complaint of G. P. Frieser, a farmer of Mesquite, Illinois, that he was fleeced of \$1,140 in a "fake pool room game," Lee Rial is held in the city jail today on suspicion of a felony, and E. C. (Poker) Davis is at liberty on bail following his arrest on a technical charge of vagrancy. Meanwhile, under the orders of Chief Sebastian, plain clothesmen are combing the city for evidence that would prove the existence of a swindling ring that has been instrumental in robbing many persons here of sums ranging from \$1500 to \$30,000 in the last year.

## ABSOLUTE LIFE PROPHECY MUST GO TO PENITENTIARY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 20.—Affirmation of the conviction of Evelyn Arthur See of Chicago, on the charge of abducting Mildred Bridges, young Chicago girl, was made here today by the supreme court. See headed a freakish organization known as the "absolute life" cult.

## PHONE WORKERS AGAIN VOTING ON GENERAL STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 20.—More than 3000 employees of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, comprising forty-one locals of the Pacific District Council of Electrical Workers in California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Nevada, will cast their ballots before next Monday night in a referendum vote for a walkout. The question of a strike was put up to the workers today following the company's compromise offer of a 25 cent daily increase to the demand by the workers for an increase of 50 cents per day.

Officials of the union here predict that the men will vote overwhelmingly to strike.

Should a walkout occur, union officials here say, it will result in a complete tie-up of the telephone lines on the Pacific coast as it was claimed the corporation would be unable to keep up necessary repairs.

## NEW JAP PREMIER COMPLETES CABINET

TOKIO, Feb. 20.—The new Japanese premier Count Gombel Yamamoto today completed the formation of his cabinet. The portfolios were distributed as follows:

Premier, Count Yamamoto; foreign affairs, Baron Makino; home affairs, Kei Hara; justice, Masahisa Matsuda; finance, Baron Takahashi; education, Sakunoshin Motodo; communication, Gijin Okuda; navy, Admiral Baron Saito; army, Lieutenant General Baron Yasutsuna Kikoshi.

## ERKSINE APPOINTED TO BRITISH CONSULATE

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—Thomas Erksine, British consul at St. Louis has today been appointed head of the British consulate at Portland, Ore., to fill the vacancy created by the death of James Laidlaw January 5.

Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska are included in the jurisdiction of the Portland consulate.

Erksine is 53 years old, and in 1898 and 1899 was employed in the British consulate at San Francisco, acting as vice consul for a time.

## MADERO'S FRIENDS PREPARING FOR NEW REVOLUTION

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 20.—Predicting that another revolution will sweep the Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua within thirty days, Madero adherents at Agua Prieta, Sonora, declared today that telegrams have been sent to Governor Maytorena of Sonora from Nacoazari, Cananea and other border places offering to raise as large a volunteer force as the governor can equip to take the field for Madero. Three thousand men, they assert, are immediately available.

News of the execution of Gustavo Madero stirred Agua Prieta deeply. It is openly asserted that any summary action in the case of Francisco Madero will result in immediate action there. Madero sympathizers at Agua Prieta are openly expressing indignation today following the publication in Douglas newspapers of purported interviews with Manuel Cuesta, Mexican consul here, in which the official declares that while ostensibly the representative of the Madero government, he was secretly in league with Felix Diaz and his followers.

## APPLIED FOR PATENT ON TURTLE SERUM

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—Information was obtained here today that Dr. Frederick Franz Friedmann, discoverer of a turtle serum remedy for tuberculosis, applied several months ago for American patents covering the remedy and its manufacture in the United States.

## SALARY BILL FOR SECRETARY FOR GOVERNOR IS PASSED

SALEM, Feb. 20.—The house has today passed the senate bill fixing the salary of the secretary to the governor at \$3,000 a year. There was no opposition.

## UNCLE SAM TO PASS ON CLAIMS FOR \$50,000,000

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The United States government must now adjudge claims for damage from Mexico's latest revolution, which promise to reach from \$50,000,000 to \$75,000,000 in Mexico City alone. It was impossible today to estimate the exact loss.

Many Americans who are returning to Mexico City have found their homes wrecked and looted. Ambassador Wilson is investigating all claims and will report to Washington later.

Secretary of the Navy George Von L. Meyer today said that while the situation in Mexico was greatly improved military and naval precautions would continue.

## SNOW FALLS BUT FAILS TO STAY LONG

With the barometer two points below normal the weather man today announced that rain is certain to follow the slight snow fall of Thursday morning. A general rain storm is predicted.

Snow was falling slightly at dawn Thursday and continued to fall until late in the morning. It made no impression however, melting as rapidly as it reached the earth.

## M'CASKEY REGISTER COMPANY ATTACKED BY GOVERNMENT

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 20.—Claiming it criminally restrains trade the government has brought suit against the McCaskey Register company, makers of office appliances, here today. The defendant is said to own the Dominion Register company, limited, of Toronto, Canada.

## HELEN TAFT TO WED DR. CAREY GRAYSON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Helen Taft is to be the thirteenth white house bride, according to a report here today. It is rumored she will wed Dr. Carey Grayson of Washington before her father's term ends.

## WAR SHATTERS BEAUTIFUL CITY BUILT BY DIAZ

Panorama of Death and Destruction—Hundreds of Buildings Carry Gaping Holes and Entire City Bears Make of Desolation and Tragedy.

Ten Days Battle and Collapse of Administration Described by an Eye Witness.

(By Staff Correspondent of United Press.)

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 20.—So swift were the current and startling events since Tuesday's conclusion of the ten day conflict here that it was not until today that the half crazed population found time to look about at the havoc it wrought. It is a panorama of death and destruction that is presented to the eyes of thousands of curious citizens and foreigners who are swarming the streets.

The spectacle here is infinitely sad. Hundreds of beautiful homes carry gaping holes and tottering walls can be seen on all sides. Scores of splendid public buildings and business structures are battered and marred. But in the poorer districts the tragedy manifested is most terrible. Hundreds of houses in this quarter are literally in ruins while upon the doors of a thousand scarred and crumbling dwellings hang bands of crepe.

## City Daily Wrecked

This city which Porfirio Diaz decided to make the most beautiful in all America is shattered and wrecked. Its destruction could not be more complete if it had been visited by an earthquake and riven and twisted.

I witnessed the opening act in the fearful war drama in the Zocalo and the Plaza before the national palace. On Sunday morning, February 9, the news was flashed over the city that a new revolution had begun and that Generals Diaz and Reyes had been liberated. I saw both those leaders escorted to the palace by soldiers through a crowd of cheering and excited people, filling the huge plaza, and overflowing blocks in the streets opening upon it.

**Guns on Buildings**

I noted many machine guns ranged on the palace roof but I did not imagine they were to be used in real warfare. I was slowly crossing the plaza, en route to the cable office to send out the news of the liberation of Diaz and Reyes, when the lines of soldiers I had so casually inspected opened fire with scattering volleys. The machine guns instantly answered, sweeping the crowded Zocalo and sending a storm of bullets into throngs of unsuspecting women, children and men.

With the first volley, the terror—

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## 100,000 BULGARIANS FIGHT 70,000 TURKS THREE DAY BATTLE

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Dispatches received here today tell of a terrific three days' battle just concluded at Bulair between 100,000 Bulgarians and 70,000 Turks. Each side is reported to have lost 3500 men. Enver Bey, chief of staff of the Turkish army, is reported to have been injured in the battle.

Russia, according to a St. Petersburg dispatch, has just been asked by Roumania to act as arbitrator in the latter country's dispute with Bulgaria over the boundary line. The dispatch indicated that the dispute has assumed a graver aspect and that Roumania is assembling infantry and cavalry on the islands in the Danube facing the Bulgarian territory around Silistria.

A Constantinople dispatch reported a slight bombardment of Adrianople by the Balkan allies.