

BLOODY EVENTS OF ONE YEAR AGO REVIEWED

Murder, Treachery, Oppression and Other Foul Means Used by Huerta to Gain and Hold Office.

MEANS BY WHICH HE GOT INTO OFFICE ARE RECALLED.

Some Inside Facts as to Methods Used in Overthrowing Madero, Who Made Huerta Head of Army.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Vera Cruz, Mexico, March 5.—Just a year ago Victoriano Huerta took possession of the Mexican government and in spite of murders, treachery, oppression and the hundreds of other means he has taken to keep himself in power, each day has seen him slipping further downward on his bloody, self-constructed skids. A review of the 300 and more days that Huerta has been in power discloses that on no single day has he been as strong as on the day before; there has not been a minute, in his career as dictator, that he has seen reasons for hoping that the end of his grim road would bring him peace and success.

Just a year ago the terrible "decoupage tragica" as the Mexicans call it—the bloody ten days' took place. Francisco Madero, who had driven Diaz from Mexico a little over a year before sat in his presidential office in the palace; Huerta was one of his generals; his ablest general, in fact. Matters were more or less peaceful in the capital, though Orozco, in the north had turned against his old-time commander, Madero, because Madero had taken into his government many of the men—"grafters" Orozco called them—who had been associated with Diaz. But Orozco held only Juarez and Chihuahua and had been hopelessly defeated by Huerta himself, a short time before.

Bloody Conflict.

But, up to the palace, on the morning of February 8, marched a crowd of soldiers, headed by General Reyes and Felix Diaz. Diaz had corrupted a part of the army and it had gone with him to seize the palace. Thousands of Mexican citizens filled the great park opposite the palace, as Diaz and Reyes marched up to the portals; they were onlookers of a historical event, and, in truth, one of the bloodiest events of Mexican history. Out of the portals of the palace issued a band of soldiers. Diaz and Reyes expected them to yield up the palace; that had been the plan. But somehow the plan went awry. From the gateways came a burst of bullets. From the roof of the palace came a deluge of machine gun fire. A bullet went through Reyes' forehead. Soldiers fell by scores. But worst of all, the onlookers in the park were caught by the rain of death. They fell in heaps and mounds, dead and dying, men, women and children. Like people in a theater fire panic they rushed from the park, seeking the side streets, but the bullets mowed them down. Again, in the terrible history of Mexico, a dynasty was fighting for its life and what mattered the lives of a thousand or more onlookers? A thousand of them fell there under the palms and eucalyptus trees in the park. Only the dark ages show more terrible sights than that. And what is to be said of the hours that followed on that Sunday morning, when the wounded lay

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screaming in the sun? When physicians who passed among them were themselves wounded or killed? Or, of the next two days, when the dead were piled in mounds and burned after being covered with oil? Or, of the third day, when a gas main was punctured and the escaping gas was lighted and converted into a 20th century funeral pyre over which bodies were placed to be consumed by the gas flames? The fire from the palace drove Diaz back. Many of his men deserted. His band hurried into a side street, where they gathered around their puzzled leader.

Goes to Arsenal.

"Something is wrong," said Diaz. "These palace soldiers were to have surrendered."

"What will you do now?" asked an American friend of Diaz, who came hurrying to the spot.

"I must get away. We must all fly," said Diaz.

"Why not go to the arsenal?" suggested the American. Diaz's face lighted. Such a move had not occurred to him. At the arsenal were all the elements necessary for fighting.

"To the arsenal," he cried out to his men. They dashed a mile through the streets on horseback and on foot. At the arsenal there were only a few soldiers. Four of them were killed by Diaz's men and within a few moments Diaz was safe behind the heavy walls of the great stone building, surrounded by more ammunition, guns and cannon than he could use. Then began ten days of fighting, with shells flying over the city; with tens of thousands of citizens locked in their homes; with hundreds killed in the side streets.

"Don't worry," President Madero would tell the newspaper men who, by devious means, found their way to the palace every day. "We'll whip them soon." But on the tenth day, at noon, an astonishing thing happened. A representative of Victoriano Huerta, Madero's stand-by, the man on whom the president depended most for safety marched into Madero's office in the palace, and arrested him. Almost, at the same time, Huerta himself, who had invited Gustav Madero, brother of the president to dine with him at a cafe, laid his hand on Gustav's shoulder and said, "You're under arrest."

The dynasty of Madero had fallen. Huerta's treachery became apparent. It had been his duty to overcome Diaz; instead, he had plotted with Diaz and together they had decided to put the Maderos out of the way and take over the government themselves. The fighting ceased. Huerta was declared provisional president. The two Maderos were put in jail. The next day the news went out that Gustavo Madero had been killed. A band of soldiers had taken him into the yard of the arsenal and had said: "We'll give you a chance to run away. Now go as fast as you can." And while he ran they had shot him dead, according to the brutal Mexican custom known as "the law of flight." The world looked on, waiting the fate of Francisco Madero. Those who knew most of Mexican ways felt that nothing but Madero's death could be expected; the world at large could hardly believe that he would be slain. A few days later newspaper correspondents were called to the palace at midnight and informed that Madero, the former president, had been slain.

OPPOSES CONVICT-MADE GOODS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, March 5.—Speaking in advocacy of a bill to prohibit interstate traffic in convict-made goods, Congressman Nolan of California asserted in the house yesterday afternoon that many so-called prison reform organizations are in league with prison-labor contractors.

WILL DRIVE UNEMPLOYED OUT.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Oakland, Cal., March 5.—Following a conference with Sheriff Barnett of Alameda county, Chief of Police Peterson announced yesterday afternoon that he would give the Kelly and Thorn "armies of the unemployed" until Thursday to leave Oakland's vicinity. "If they are not gone by that time," he announced, "I will escort them clear across the line into Contra Costa county."

BIG POWER PROJECT IS BOOSTED BY LINN

Legislature Will Hear About Proposition to Join With State of Washington at Celilo Falls.

IMMENSE AMOUNT OF HORSE POWER CAN BE DEVELOPED

Possible to Irrigate Vast Region by Means of Electrical Pump, Farmers Would Get Off Easy.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

According to James R. Linn, of this city, the next legislature will be presented with some irrigation matters of very great importance to the state by I. N. Day, who was a member of the delegation that went back to Washington recently to confer with the attorney-general in regard to the Southern-Pacific-Central Pacific merger. The important business is in the form of a plan whereby the state will be asked to join hands with the state of Washington in taking over the Celilo Falls power project.

Mr. Day, declares Mr. Linn, is preparing plans for the consideration of the two states which, if adopted, will mean that Oregon will be in a position to furnish its citizens 150,000 horse power, while Washington will have the same privilege. Mr. Day and others propose that the two states be bonded for \$35,000,000 with which to complete the power project. It is also planned to have the United States government perform its share of the work by going security for the bonds.

Means Great Things.

With 150,000 horse power at hand, irrigation problems in this state will be solved to a great extent, believes Mr. Linn. He states that the head officials of the government irrigation department at Washington declare that it is utterly impossible to successfully furnish the land owners with water under a private or corporate irrigation system. They say that none of the projects conducted by one party or a corporation have proven a success so far.

If ever completed, says Mr. Linn, there is no doubt but that project will be one of the greatest, if not the greatest, in the world. Thousands of farmers in the state will be aided in irrigating their lands by the use of the power at a very nominal cost. Mr. Linn believes that the project will do more for the Oregon agriculturists than all the present irrigation projects put together, and inasmuch as the government has practically condemned private cooperative irrigation projects as failures, the state should get to work and harness Celilo Falls.

The promoters of the government power plant proposition contend that by establishing such a plant the manufacturers will be encouraged to come to Oregon. On his trip east, Mr. Linn declares that electric water power plants are in evidence every place where there is a stream of any size, and the manufacturing plants along the stream are thick. With cheap power and an unlimited quantity of materials of all kinds, the small manufacturer would jump at the chance to locate in Oregon, and it would be but a very short time until the state's pay roll would be boosted up in large figures, he believes.

POSTAL SERVICE PLANNED.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] St. Petersburg, March 5.—Steps were taken today for the early introduction of an aerial postal service between St. Petersburg and six of the leading provincial towns. Besides the ordinary postage, all letters conveyed by this means are to be charged an extra tax and the proceeds are to go to the fund for a national aerial fleet.

POSTOFFICE BILL ACCEPTED.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, March 5.—With practically all the senate amendments intact, including the one providing for an increase in rural mail carriers' pay, the conference report on the postoffice appropriation bill was adopted by the senate yesterday afternoon.

CHILDREN HATE OIL, CALOMEL AND PILLS

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Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

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If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

RESTAURANT MAN BREAKS HIS ARM DURING SCUFFLE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Newport, March 5.—(Special.)—E. O. Maynard, W. L. D'Vane and A. Kelley son of Mayor Kelley, went to the Yohats Agate Beds to be gone about one week. Maynard is the expert lapidary whose experience and ability to select agates is unexcelled in the northwest. They expect to make a good collection.

C. R. Crougar, the Cottage Bakery man, while in a scuffle broke his left arm. His partner, Anderson, will conduct the business, while the manager is laid up.

The Nye Beach association holds its regular weekly meetings at the Cliff House on Friday evenings.

Mrs. J. E. Bridgford of Albany, is spending a few days in her cottage here.

SWEDISH TEACHERS POPULAR.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Stockholm, March 5.—The government of Ecuador today applied to the Swedish government for a corps of Swedish school teachers to reorganize the school system of Ecuador and teach in the schools for a period of years.

SICK, SOUR STOMACH, INDIGESTION OR GAS

Take "Pape's Diapiesin" and in Five Minutes You'll Wonder What Became of Misery in Stomach.

Wonder what upset your stomach—which portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in a revolt; if sour, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented into stubborn lumps; head dizzy and aches; belch gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapiesin and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have a bad stomach. A little Diapiesin occasionally keeps this delicate organ regulated and they eat their favorite foods without fear.

If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapiesin which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it digests food and sets things straight, so gassy and easily that it is really astonishing. Please, for your sake, don't go on and on with a weak, disordered stomach; it's so unnecessary.

NEW YORK'S DIVORCE LAW FAILS TO WORK

Merely Drives People to Other States in Order to Secure Their Decrees Without Disgrace.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE MONEY WILL HAVE THEIR WAY.

Will Travel Around World if Necessary in Order to Get Bonds Which Are Galling Them.

BY CARLTON TEN EYCK.

(Written for the United Press.)

New York, March 5.—All that glitters is not gold and by the same token much that has outward resemblance of benevolence is sometimes quite the contrary. The Empire state's rigid divorce law, admitting of legal separations only on statutory grounds, at first glance appears to be a far-sighted humanitarian provision to safeguard the sacredness of matrimony, but is it! That is the question now agitating the lawyers of New York.

A camel may pass through the eye of a needle with more ease than a New Yorker may obtain a divorce in his own state without besmirching his family name and all his connections. But divorce is so easy elsewhere that New York's bar sinister is no deterrent. It merely causes yoke-galled Gothamites to go to other places for freedom, and New York lawyers lose the fees. Where millionaires would pay thousands to their regular solicitors for a comfortable divorce at home, if such were possible, they go abroad and pay larger fees to strange lawyers. The New York restrictions do not restrict divorce, but they do carry New York divorce money into other states and foreign countries.

One State Cannot Curb It.

Divorce may be an evil. There is a debatable question and this is not a debating medium. But it is patent to the most casual observer that one state cannot alone curb the divorce habit, so long as her sister states make no such attempt. It is like Don Quixote tilting at windmills for New York to fight divorce by having a drastically prohibitive divorce statute, while in other states one may obtain divorce from domesticity by alleging merely that his mate has cold feet which she puts in the small of his back at night, or that one's husband is temperamental, or that the lady smokes cigarettes in bed, thereby raising the risk on the fire insurance. All it takes to get around Father Knickerbocker's legal complications to protect the home and fireside is a little money—counsel and attorney's fees. And New York does not get the money.

Take the case of the millionaire's secret divorce in France that electrified society folk when finally it leaked out. It was known for months that the pair were at odds. Married for 16 years and the parents of three children, they could no longer live together in harmony and agreed to separate. They divided their property equally and took up separate residences. The children, by mutual consent, went with the father, and all the efforts of relatives and friends failed to dissuade them. Arguments fell on deaf ears, with no more effect than wear on a duck's back.

Determined to Separate.

Did the ugly divorce law of New York restrain them? It did not, because they have plenty of money and a trip around the world meant nothing to them. They were determined to sever the tie that bound them, because they had come to the parting of the ways. The wife of another man had prepared a million dollar alienation suit against the millionaire's wife. But being people of refinement both man and woman shrank from the mutually revolting testimony that would have to be given if they were separated by the law of their own state. They could not endure the sort of a character butchery and its attendant notoriety. So they turned to France. The

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wife went to Paris and established a residence. Then she filed a suit for divorce charging her extravagantly rich husband with desertion. He followed her to France and filed a countersuit, making a similar charge. The French court, as is the custom, complacently asked the warring pair if a reconciliation were impossible. Both declared an agreement was out of the question. Just so, said the court, and handed down divorce decrees to both. The man and the woman shared the doubtful honor of cutting the matrimonial knot. Both were left free, with no stigma attached to them and both were at liberty to marry again. Their own state denied them legal separation except for extreme cause. Were that law an absolute preventive of divorce except for statutory grounds, it would be an unqualified benefit, but when it is evaded every day by those with money enough to get out of town, its beneficence is doubtful. The millionaire pair referred to saw their matrimonial bonds dissolved as easily as mist before the rising sun, and all it cost them was a trip to Europe, retainers to French lawyers and a few weeks' sojourn in a foreign city.

LOUIS HILL WILL NOT LONG REMAIN HEAD OF RAILROAD

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] St. Paul, Minn., March 5.—That Louis W. Hill does not intend to remain permanently as president of the Great Northern railroad was reported here today on what seemed to be good authority. He took the post intending to hold it, it was said, only until a suitable

man could be found to relieve him. The story gave fresh rise to rumors that Carl R. Gray's retirement from the presidency was due to pressure from the Hill interests. The general opinion was that the slump in the Great Northern's earnings since Gray became president in 1912 had caused dissatisfaction on the Hills' part and that really that was the reason for the change. Whether or not the Hills had anyone else in mind for the position nobody seemed to know.

TWINS SEPARATED BY VERY DELICATE SURGICAL OPERATION

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Paris, March 5.—Madeleine-Suzanne, the French "Siamese Twins," were separated today by a surgical operation of great delicacy. The operation was performed with especially constructed instruments by Dr. Gustave Le Fillatre and Dr. Rischer and Dr. Victor De Launay and his wife, who is also a surgeon. Numerous other surgeons were present.

Madeleine-Suzanne were joined together in the region of the stomach and it was found that a portion of the intestines of Madeleine was within Suzanne's abdomen. This had to be detached from the wall of the fibrous, cartilaginous bridge connecting the two children. A local anaesthetic was used and the babies cried a little during the operation, which lasted fifteen minutes.

Both children appeared to stand the operation well but surgeons could not give a definite opinion as to the ultimate success.

OLD LANDMARK DOOMED.

Paris, March 5.—Work began today to tear down the shop occupied by Marie Antoinette's jeweler at the corner of Quai de Conti and the Rue de Nevers, but which recently has housed a cabaret.

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