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THOUSANDS OF RIFLES LANDED IN ULSTER

Strong Bodies of Carson's Warriors Patrol the Coast and Assisted in Discharging the Cargo---The Authorities Were Absolutely Ignored---Emergency Meeting of the Cabinet Held on Saturday---Three Regiments Ordered to Ulster

London, April 27.—The feeling, mentioned in my despatch of Friday night last, that a secret importation of arms into Ulster might be coincident with the sudden mobilization of volunteers at Belfast that day, was well founded.

In the early hours of Saturday morning more than 500,000 rifles, with 3,500,000 rounds of ammunition, were landed at Larne, Bangor and Drogheda from the steamer Mountjoy.

From Belfast to Larne Harbor, a distance of thirty miles, the coast was patrolled by strong bodies of Carson's pickets, while the streets around Larne were lined with officers and men standing about expectantly. At that time the town was cut off from contact with the outer world by telephone and telegraph, while any attempt at egress, except to those giving the password, was prevented by the pickets.

When the steamer Mountjoy, whose maiden name, Fanny, had been covered over, moored at the Larne docks large gangs of volunteers rushed through the closely guarded dock-gates to help the crew unload. With much greater celerity than professional scavengers these volunteers seized the checked packages, dumping them into the waiting motor-cars.

While the Mountjoy was discharging her cargo a second vessel came alongside, followed by a third, both of which received cargo from the first and then sailed away, apparently to distribute arms elsewhere.

The authorities were absolutely ignored throughout the proceedings, though in any case they were too hopelessly outnumbered to offer any resistance and they were also unable to appeal for outside assistance, owing to the interrupted communication.

The attitude of the citizens was reflected in brightly burning lamps in all windows throughout the night.

That the government has become alarmed was shown by the emergency cabinet meeting being called Saturday afternoon, after which the prime minister returned to his country residence for the week-end.

The rumor is current at Belfast that the West Kents and Yorkshires from Dublin and the Manchesters from Curragh are under orders to proceed there immediately. It is also understood that this movement of troops is the prelude to the proclamation of martial law in the disaffected area.

The special correspondent of The Daily Express at Belfast states that the Ulster gun running began with negotiations between the provisional government and German agents to supply rifles and ammunition, and that the steamer Fanny left a Baltic port some weeks ago with two Belfast men, retired sea captains, aboard. Co-operating with her was another steamship registered at a British port with a distinctive name changed to Mountjoy.

The mobilization of the force to ensure the safe arrival of the guns began on Friday evening, the orders being for the men to join their battalions as a test of mobilization, and thus the rank and file did not know why they were guarding the harbor or roads.

READY FOR ANY EMERGENCY.

It was stated at Salisbury last night that troops, probably cavalry, would be sent to Ulster to act as mounted police. It is reported that the government is entirely ready to meet any emergency.

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PASTOR'S SECOND TRIAL FOR ARSON

Fort Worth, Texas, April 27.—The case of Dr. J. Frank Norris, former pastor of the First Baptist church in this city and who is under indictment on a charge of arson in connection with the burning of the church parsonage two years ago, came up in court today for trial. Some time ago Dr. Norris was tried and acquitted on a charge of having set fire to the church. The trial was of a highly sensational character and attracted much attention. The indictment for burning the parsonage is the last of the series of cases against the former minister.

GREAT SHOW OF TEXTILE MACHINERY

Boston, Mass., April 27.—All kinds of machinery and appliances in use for the economical production of cotton, woolen, silk and knit goods are to be seen in operation at the great Textile Show, which was opened in Mechanics' Building today and will be continued through the week. The exhibition is said to be the largest and most complete of its kind ever held anywhere in the world. Every process of the industry is shown, from the transformation of the raw material into threads and yarns to the weaving of the finest materials in cottons, wools and silks. Among the marvelous exhibits are machines that tie knots and looms with a thousand threads running through them that come to a dead stop the moment that a single thread breaks. During the week the show will be visited by the entire memberships of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association and the National Cotton Manufacturers' Association.

Oscar Flemming of Toronto is registered at the Barker House.

AGAINST ALLEGED COTTON OIL TRUST

Jackson, Miss., April 27.—The anti-trust suit of the State of Mississippi against the American Cotton Oil Company and concerns alleged to be allied with it was called for trial here today. Ninety-eight defendants are named in the suit. The attorney general seeks the dissolution of the alleged combine and the collection of \$227,000,000 in fines for alleged violations of the state's anti-trust law. More than four hundred telegraph agents and operators in all parts of the state have been summoned to testify as to messages that have passed between the company officials and the oil mills.

ICE MOVED AGAIN ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Water Rising Rapidly and Clear River Expected Before the First of May

The ice in the river ran about a hundred yards opposite the city on Sunday afternoon and also ran a considerable distance below the railway bridge. The ice at the Mouth of the Nashwaak also moved out. The ice appears to be much wasted by the action of the current and is not expected to do much damage. Reports from Macnaquac are that the jam has not changed. Down river little change is reported. The water is rising rapidly however, and it is doubtful of there will be ice in the river by May 1, Friday. The water rose about a foot since yesterday afternoon and is still rising.

L. W. Poirer of Montreal is at the Barker House.

Huerta Has Not Replied To the Offer of Mediation

Secretary of State, Bryan Gives Out Statement After a Conference With the Brazilian Ambassador---South American Republics Offer Their Services to Mexico---Street Fighting on the Streets of Tampico---Martial Law Proclaimed at Vera Cruz

Washington, April 27.—"President Huerta has not officially replied to the offer of mediation," declared Secretary of State Bryan, after a conference with Ambassador Degama of Brazil.

Street fighting between Federalists and Constitutionalists in Tampico is reported today.

Admiral Badger reports that all Americans at Tampico have been removed.

HOPE FOR PEACE.

Washington, April 26.—Hope for peace—yet no slackening in the preparations for war—was the spirit of today's developments in the Mexican crisis.

President Wilson, hopeful, thought not confident that war may be averted through the effort of Argentina, Brazil and Chile, conferred with Secretary Garrison, approving orders for the joint jurisdiction of the army and navy over Vera Cruz and vicinity when Brigadier General Funston, who is in command there, arrives tomorrow afternoon to reinforce Admiral Fletcher's forces of marines and blue-jackets.

Tension over the one phase of the situation, which may at any moment upset peace plans—the safety of Americans in Mexico City and other interior points—was partially relieved by the announcement of Secretary Bryan that through the British embassy here the Huerta officials and Admiral Fletcher had arranged for the safe departure of Americans from the Mexican capital and the free exodus of Mexicans from Vera Cruz.

Vera Cruz, April 26.—Vera Cruz is tonight under martial law. Rear Admiral Fletcher, commander of the American naval forces on shore today issued a proclamation to this effect, and the last opportunity Mexicans had for handling their own affairs in Vera Cruz under their own laws disappeared. This proclamation makes Rear Admiral Fletcher absolute rule ashore.

An order that all arms be turned in by noon today brought to the headquarters of the provost marshal bushels of small arms and stacks of rifles which had not been discovered by the provost guard on their previous searches, and at the consulate a huge quantity of guns of all makes and sizes was stacked up.

A large number of local Mexican officials have reported their willingness to resume their duties of office under the supervision of the Americans.

Sir Christopher Cradock, the British admiral, through Sir Lionel Carden, who has resumed charge of the British embassy at the capital, is urging President Huerta to permit the departure of all foreigners from Mexico City, and it is considered possible that one or two more trains at least will be permitted to pass through. But there appears a fair chance that those who have fallen under the displeasure of Huerta and are in the custody of his force will be held for an indeterminate period.

The food supply problem must be relieved soon, and for this reason plans are being made to open the Alvarado railroad, a short line running south into the garden and poultry district. The restaurants have cut down their list to soup, a piece of meat, and coffee and the charges have been increased. The hotels are crowded to their capacity, and the refugees who have succeeded in reaching here are finding difficulty in securing quarters.

HUERTA ACCEPTS OFFER OF MEDIATION?

Washington, April 26.—Spanish Ambassador Riano announced late tonight that he received private advice from Mexico City stating that General Huerta has accepted the offer of Argentina, Brazil and Chile to use their good offices to bring about a settlement of the difficulty between

the United States and Mexico.

This information, though unofficial, was accepted as authentic by the ambassador, who expects to be prepared to place General Huerta's formal acceptance before the representatives of the three South American countries tomorrow.

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The United States consul at Nuevo Laredo reported officially that the constitutionalists had captured the city of Monterey, one of the Huerta strongholds, in northeastern Mexico, and a point of strategic importance.

HUERTA'S AMMUNITION STOPPED

Antwerp, April 25.—Seven hundred tons of ammunition for President Huerta of Mexico, which is awaiting shipment, will probably be stored here until the end of hostilities, the steamers sailing for Mexican ports declining to carry contraband.

The steamer Cayo Bonito has cancelled her sailing on May 3, with six hundred tons of ammunition already loaded. Mexican agents are known to be here and are endeavoring to arrange for the shipment, but money is lacking.

CALLS FOR SLAUGHTER OF AMERICANS

Vera Cruz, April 25.—Circulars enumerating American business houses are being distributed in the streets of Mexico City. The handbills call on the people to destroy the concerns listed. Some of the American stores whose names appeared in the circular already have been looted.

Another list being distributed is a list of Mexicans managing some of the American stores. It is declared, these men must be killed because of their identification with foreign interests.

The newspapers of the capital are publishing stories to the effect that the American forces at Vera Cruz are slaughtering women and children and the papers call on Mexicans to retaliate in a similar manner.

MEXICANS IMPRISON U. S. CONSUL

Washington, April 26.—United States Consul-General Mam at Monterey reported to Secretary Bryan tonight that he had been humiliated and placed in jail by Mexican federal officials on April 22, and left behind the bars until released two days later by the Constitutionalists when they captured the city.

Mr. Hanna's message to Secretary Bryan was dispatched today from Monterey. The secretary took it to the White House at once and it was the subject of a long conference between him and President Wilson.

JAPAN WILL BE NEUTRAL

Tokio, Japan, April 25.—Japan today gave its pledge to maintain a strict "hands off" policy in connection with the difficulties in which Mexico and United States are involved. Count Okuma, the premier, authorized formal announcement that the Japanese government will not utilize the Mexican trouble in any way to secure from the United States a satisfactory settlement of the California controversy or other matters at issue.

The official announcement also promised strict neutrality.

STOCKS WERE MORE ACTIVE THIS MORNING

New York, April 27.—The market opening was active and stocks showed as a rule from one to one and a half points week-end gains. Saturday's liquidation drove about all weak holders out and news of mediation in Mexican situation came in the right time. There was a hurried retreat of the shorts, who covered quickly during first few minutes of trading.

London was on both sides of the market this morning but bought more than they sold. Sentiment there has improved owing to better Mexican situation and improvement in Austrian emperor's condition.

After the opening the market was not so active and sold off fractionally but the decline did not go far as technical position seems to be very good.

Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, Fredericton, N.B.)

	Open	Noon
Copper	70 1/2	70 1/2
Smelters	61 1/2	59 1/2
C. P. R.	191 1/2	190 1/2
Great Northern	121	120 1/2
Northern Pacific	108	107 1/2
Reading ex div	159	159 1/2
Penna	109 1/2	109 1/2
Lehigh	135 1/2	134 1/2
Union Pacific	151 1/2	151 1/2
U. S. Steel	57 1/2	57 1/2

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MR. J. W. MCCREADY MAY BE POLICE MAGISTRATE

Deadlock Over the Appointment of Col. Marsh's Successor Still Continues

So far as can be learned the deadlock which has occurred over the appointment of a successor to Police Magistrate Marsh has not yet been broken. Both sides are said to be standing pat and the latest report is that the government will appoint City Clerk McCready to the position. In case he accepts the office the city clerk's office would become vacant in which case an effort will be made to have the City Council appoint Mr. Matthew Tennant to that position.

An alderman interviewed in regard to the situation said that if Mr. McCready gave up the office of city clerk to become police magistrate he would favor having the duties taken over by City Treasurer Perkins. He pointed out that Mr. Perkins had been acting as city clerk for some weeks past and could easily perform the duties in addition to his other work.

The government meeting was adjourned until May 5th. Col. Marsh is to retire on May 1st and if a successor is not appointed by that date his duties will be taken over by Mr. McCready as sitting police magistrate.

The friends of Mr. Tennant are talking of getting up a petition to present to the government in his behalf. Mr. Bidlake in conversation with The Mail on Saturday, said that an influential Conservative had assured him that he could get the position for the asking. He was residing at Newcastle at the time and when thus assured he gave up his job and came to Fredericton. At the outset he had the support of three of the local members, including Mr. Pinder, but the latter, owing to a falling out with certain of his (Bidlake's) backers, had gone back on him. Mr. Bidlake added that he felt he was quite capable of discharging the duties of the office.

RIGHT FROM SUSSEX.

Mr. Alonzo Staples, the enterprising York street druggist, now has on sale at his soda fountain ice cream and buttermilk, supplied daily by the Sussex Dairying Company.

H. H. MacMichael is among the commercial men at the Barker House.

AGREEMENT WITH THE C.N.R.

Govt., will Guarantee Bonds for Over Forty Million Dollars

Will Secure Control of Fifty-five Per Cent of the Common Stock as Security

Ottawa, Ont., April 26.—A basis of agreement has been reached by the government with the Canadian Northern Railway representatives whereby the Dominion, it is understood, will guarantee a further issue of C.N.R. bonds to the extent of over forty million dollars, in order to enable the company to complete the road and terminals and to provide rolling stock. The agreement will be laid before the Conservative caucus which will be held on Tuesday, and it is likely that legislation to give effect to the agreement will be introduced in the House on Wednesday next.

After the most thorough examination into the assets and liabilities, Hon. Arthur Meighen, the solicitor general, drafted an agreement which seems to have commended itself to all the elements in the Conservative party, even those most bitterly opposed to the C.N.R. and it may be taken for granted that it will be approved by the Conservative caucus on Tuesday.

The main clauses of the agreement as drafted by Mr. Meighen are to the effect that forty per cent of the C.N.R. stock issue will be placed in the custody of the government and fifteen per cent in the custody of a trust company. This fifteen per cent is so placed in order that the government will be able to seize it if the company does not fulfil its undertakings regarding the completion of the system. Thus, with fifty-five per cent. of the stock in its hands, the government would have control of the railway.

What a section of the Conservatives have fought for is the elimination of Sir William MacKenzie, Sir Donald Mann and Z. A. Lash from the control of the C.N.R., but it is stated that this provisional arrangement whereby these can be eliminated if they do not live up to their undertakings, meets their view and they will offer no objections to the promulgation of the agreement.

Until, of course, the caucus of Tuesday has passed upon the agreement, nothing can be stated as definite. It is possible, although it is not expected, that the alterations may be made.

MUCH CANADIAN CAPITAL INVESTED IN MEXICO

Ottawa, April 22.—Canada has no trade representative in Mexico. Over a year ago the Commissioner there was withdrawn on account of the fact that the country was in a state of constant or intermittent eruptions and the possibilities of trade development were slim.

The trade of the Dominion with Mexico in the last fiscal year aggregated \$3,360,999, of which \$3,142,581 were imports and \$218,418 were exports. The principal exports are grasses, fibres, drugs and tobacco, and the exports grain, coal, paper and whiskey.

Much Canadian capital is invested in the country, mainly in tramway power or mining enterprises, but for the protection of Canadians there as well as of the investment the Dominion must rely upon the mother country.

BIRTHDAY OF FORMER KING OTTO

Munich, April 27.—With little visible change apparent either in his mental or physical condition since he was declared hopelessly insane thirty years ago, former King Otto today passed his sixty-sixth birthday anniversary. For many years he has never seen outside the grounds of Fuerstenried castle. He still imagines himself to be the reigning sovereign and is totally ignorant of the fact that he is no longer even the nominal king.