

Taft Adheres to His Policy of "Hands Off"

Crime in Mexico City Viewed With Horror, but Administration Sees No Cause for Intervention.

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necessary for the president to communicate with congress through a special message reciting the recent events and existing conditions in Mexico and asking for instructions.

Secretary Stimson and Major General Wood made no change today in the programme of concentration of troops at Galveston. These orders called for the dispatch to Galveston of the elements that make up only one brigade of troops—namely: The Fifth brigade, second division, commanded by Brigadier General Frederick A. Smith, and comprising the Fourth, Seventh, Nineteenth and Twenty-eighth regiments of infantry; D company, second battalion engineers; field hospital and ambulance corps No. 3; one signal company from Fort Leavenworth; the Fourth mountain battery of field artillery and three pack trains. These troops should all be in Galveston by the end of this week.

Two other brigades of troops are under preparatory orders to entrain for the Texas coast, and, as indicated by President Taft in his statement yesterday, these, or two other brigades, if it is decided to make a change in the composition of the force, doubtless will be directed to start almost immediately.

Cavalry Near Border.

It is also possible that orders will issue eventually to the Fourth cavalry brigade to rendezvous at Galveston, but as these troops are now altogether in Texas, engaged in important military duties, the most part along the border, and generally within easy reach of the seacoast, probably their orders will be the last to issue. This brigade is commanded by Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss and comprises the Eleventh and Fifteenth cavalry.

DIPLOMATS DOUBT OFFICIAL VERSION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Embassador Henry Lang Wilson telegraphed to the state department tonight that Francisco de la Barra, minister of Mexico, had invited all foreign diplomats in Mexico City to take luncheon with him tomorrow. The minister stated that none of the diplomats would attend the luncheon unless the tragic death early today of former president Madero and former vice president Suarez is cleared of mystery.

This decision on the part of the diplomatic corps is a statement which indicates the gravity of the situation which will confront the Huerta government should it fail to clear the mystery in which the killing of Madero and Suarez still is enveloped.

No official comment was forthcoming here tonight on statements relating to the tragedy made by Senator Huerta, and Provisional President Huerta, but it was taken for granted that if the two leaders were brutally murdered as the result of a plot the present government would be called upon for an explanation which would include recognition at the hands of the world.

PRESIDENT-ELECT SHOCKED AT NEWS

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 23.—President-elect Wilson was shocked to hear the news that Madero and Suarez had been killed in Mexico City.

"It's too bad," he sighed when he first learned of the shooting through Associated Press dispatches. He refrained from comment, saying he would maintain his policy of silence until he had taken office.

While nothing has come from Mr. Wilson to indicate what his attitude will be, he has kept himself consistently informed of developments and has studied the reports of the news dispatches, displaying at all times a keen interest in the progress of events in the trouble-ridden country.

Mr. Wilson, it is known, had hoped from the first that Mexico's problems would find amicable settlement without the least interference from the United States. He realizes the gravity of developments, however, and is studying the situation most earnestly. It is even declared among some of his friends that he has hastened the announcement of his cabinet so that he can advise on a situation that will require the immediate attention of the new administration.

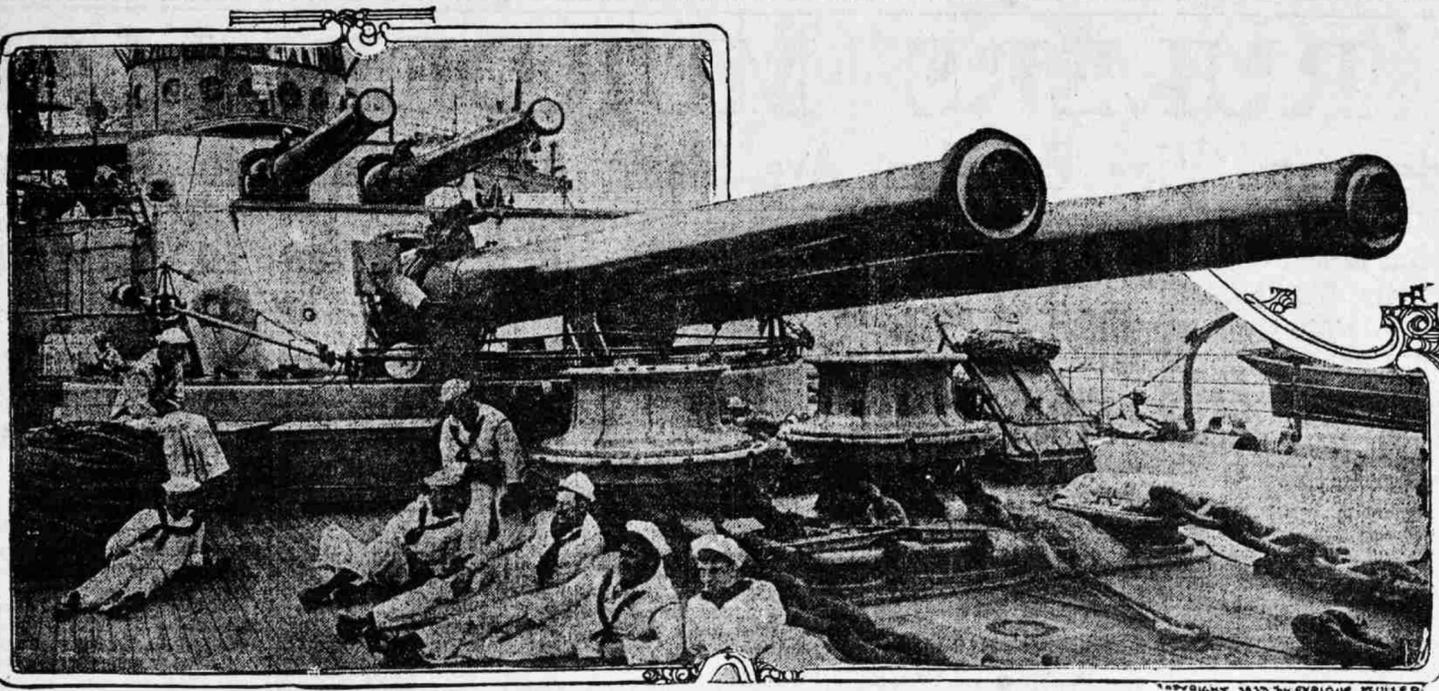
ATTORNEY GENERAL AGREES WITH TAFT

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 23.—Attorney General Wickham, when informed at the Jefferson hotel tonight of the killing of former President Madero and former Vice President Suarez, declared that he would be exceedingly unwise for the United States to intervene.

"Not even this latest development in the deplorable situation there warrants intervention on the part of this government," he said. "The administration thus far has proceeded with commendable wisdom in handling the situation and the United States has not lost prestige because of the attitude she has assumed."

"Neither has the potency of the Monroe doctrine suffered. Our government would not be entitled to intervene there until there was a wanton killing of Americans. No such thing has yet occurred and those who have fallen before Mexican bullets did so because they remained there after they had received

GUNS THAT THREATEN MEXICO. Massive guns of the forward double turret of the United States battleship Nebraska, now at Vera Cruz, whither it was rushed under hurry-up orders from the state department in Washington.



REIGN OF TERROR SOON FOLLOWS REVOLUTION

New Masters of Mexico Will Attempt to Subdue All Opposition Regardless of the Cost in Human Lives.

By International News Service. MEXICO CITY, Feb. 23.—After the revolution the reign of terror.

Prompt effect has been given to the message of Felix Diaz cabled last night to the International News Service that "we will use such energetic means as to put an end to rebellions forever."

Madero and Suarez fell today, brutally murdered—"prime move in the plan for the re-establishment of order according to programme," is the manner in which the assassinations are described. It is but the beginning.

Murder and anarchy have displaced revolution and re-establishment. There is safety for no one save those who share the good will of the military junta which has seized control of the government. To entrench themselves in power, this element has resolved upon measures which will wrench Mexico in blood. Further resistance to the power now in control is to be stamped out by the most relentless measures.

"As for the Zapatistas, bandits and outlaws, they will be stamped out to the last man."

Military Dictatorship.

These are the words of Felix Diaz to the International News Service, and the threat embraces all—"to the last man"—who by reason of the faintest suspicion are opposed to the hierarchy which has succeeded the Madero administration. As already been outlined in these dispatches, Mexico has passed from a democracy to a military dictatorship.

It will surprise no one if within the next few days a public prosecutor is in the air here. Many will die in the near future and these rigorous repressive measures will be continued until the last vestige of opposition has been stamped out and the people have learned the danger of the slightest resistance to the will of the government, or until some steps have been taken from outside of Mexico to stop the carnage in the interests of common humanity.

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LONDON PRESS URGES ACTION BY THE U. S.

(Continued from Page One.) United States government is expressing the world's indignation at the treachery which brought the Huerta administration into office and the ruthlessness with which they are exercising their probably brief tenure of power.

The Daily Mail says the United States has "commanded that Madero should not be executed without trial and that a great neighboring state is not lightly to be mocked."

The Times, in an editorial on the occurrences in Mexico City, says: "Civilized nations will put their own construction on the lame and halting story which the successful conspirators now ruling Mexico have chosen to issue. Unless it can be proved to the left, foreign observers will retain the opinion that the removal of the two Maderos and Suarez is only fresh proof that the innate ferocity of Mexican politicians and military adventurers remains untamed."

Political Necessity.

For proof of the existence of this plan one has but to read the message of Felix Diaz cabled last night to the International News Service and compare it with the swift confirmation which came within twelve hours. Madero and Suarez were practically dead men when Diaz dictated his statement. His statement was in effect a command to kill these two men.

SONORA INFLAMED BY ASSASSINATION

HERMOSILLO, Sonora, Mexico, Feb. 23.—Inflamed by the killing of Madero and Suarez, whose cause they had espoused, members of the Sonora state congress assembled here tonight for a special session tomorrow to decide whether they shall formally declare the state in rebellion against the Huerta administration.

Intense excitement prevailed. Many of the congressmen expressed their indignation at the assassination of Madero and Suarez, and it was said by some that the state would surely refuse to fall into line behind Huerta and Diaz if Huerta had appointed Antonio Rojas, a rebel leader, as provisional governor. Rojas, a former follower of Salazar, who is cordially hated by Sonorans, appeared with a body of northern insurgents from Chihuahua, avowedly with the intention of aiding those who want Sonora to secede from the Mexican republic.

Would Prevent Riots.

CANANEA, Mex., Feb. 23.—Governor Maytorena telegraphed from Hermosillo to all prefects throughout the state today ordering them to suppress any demonstrations as a result of the death of Francisco Madero and Jose Pino Suarez in the city of Mexico.

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(Continued from Page One.) transferred from the national palace to the penitentiary. Senor de la Barra asserted that the transfer was being made to afford greater security for the two prisoners pending the statement of public excitement and because they could be better guarded in the penitentiary, which is of modern construction.

The embassy further states that, according to reports published this morning by the authorities, the Mexican capital was the scene of a riot which broke out at midnight. General Huerta, provisional president, declared to the ambassador that there would be a rigid judicial investigation of all the circumstances.

The killing of Madero and Suarez came as a tragic sequence to a celebration of Washington's birthday by the American colony. This gathering was the first which had taken place since the subsidence of the stirring events of the last fortnight and was hoped to be a prelude to the return of peace. Embassador Wilson reported that he addressed the Americans and others who comprised the assemblage and said a wreath on the statue of Washington.

Secretary Hilles held a brief consultation with the president before the party left for the Pennsylvania station, and gave out the following statement: "If any connection is proven between the murder and the provisional government of General Huerta, the Huerta government will lose case, not only among Mexicans but with the United States and all foreign countries."

President Taft first heard of the assassination of Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pino Suarez, the president and vice president of Mexico, while he was attending services this morning in St. Bartholomew's church in Madison avenue. The news was conveyed to the president in the middle of the sermon, and as the chief executive had made arrangements to leave for Washington immediately after the close of the services, he remained in his pew rather than risk causing a disturbance by leaving abruptly.

When the services were over, the president, loath to accept the news as a political necessity, "whether intentional or not."

OBJECTS TO SULZER BILL NOW PENDING

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The New York stock exchange is not a bank and does not pretend to exercise the privileges of a financial institution, powers which the bill pending in the legislature to incorporate it would extend and powers which James B. Mabon, its president, considers dangerous, according to a statement which he issued tonight. Mr. Mabon outlined the objections of the exchange to the proposed law, which would make it a misdemeanor for any unincorporated association to provide an exchange room for the use of its members.

"The purchase and sale of securities is a perfectly lawful business," the statement says.

"This bill recognizes it to be lawful and necessary and does not attempt in any way to regulate it or to restrict the right to engage in it. Men may buy and sell in offices, or on street corners, or anywhere they happen to meet without restriction or supervision, but if any number of them form an association and hire a common room in which to meet, this bill makes them guilty of a crime."

Mr. Mabon also objects to the provision limiting the exchange's powers of discipline by making its rules and by-laws subject to the ratification of the state superintendent of banks and making it obligatory upon the exchange to sell memberships at public auction, thereby, he says, taking from the exchange the power of determining the personnel of its own body. He concludes with the statement:

"It may not be many years before the right of association for which men have striven for generations will no longer exist in this country."

MANY OPINIONS EXPECTED TODAY

Supreme Court Will Reconvene After a Recess Lasting Three Weeks.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—With the largest number of cases under consideration, the supreme court is expected to announce many decisions upon reconvening tomorrow after a three week recess. One hundred and fifty-five cases are before the court for decision, including the forty-five state rate cases, the mountain rate case, the newspaper publicity case, the white slave traffic cases, corporation tax suits and the California oil land cases.

The state rate cases have been under consideration by the court since October 12, 1912. Not only state freight rates but state passenger rates in practically every state of the union may be affected by the court's decision.

Salt Laker in New York. Special to The Tribune. NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Hermitage, H. Valick.

SUFFRAGISTS CAMP IN MONUMENT CITY

Straggle into Baltimore Two Squads, Footsore and Wary From "Hike."

BALTIMORE, Feb. 23.—Exercising the proverbial feminine prerogative "General" Rosalie Gardner Jones's suffragist army changed its mind twice today as a result the marchers are encamped tonight at a hotel in this city.

When the army left Belair shortly after a o'clock this morning an overnight stop at Overlea, Md., was planned. The march was to be made to the way and the "going" was so good that it was decided to push on to Baltimore. Then, when the main army had gained a long lead, those in the rear voted to ignore Overlea and take a short cut to the city. The main army, however, reached here an hour ahead of the women, the pacemakers who went to Overlea.

The march was a success. A squad of Baltimore police met the main army at the Hilton, just outside of Baltimore. From that point until the suffragists reached their destination the crowd of followers swelled, until it reached about 300. As the pilgrims need rest, "General" Jones has suggested that most of the Baltimore showed that fourteen members have footed it all the way from Newmarket.

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HELPED BUILD FAMOUS VESSEL

Frank Haas, Who Worked on the Monitor as a Machinist, Dies in Denver.

Special to The Tribune. DENVER, Feb. 23.—Frank Haas, who helped to build the battleship Monitor in 1861, died at his home here Friday night of paralysis, at the age of 71. He can be remembered as a machinist who was employed as a machinist in the shops from that time until his death.

Haas is survived by his widow, a daughter and two sons, one of whom, Louis Haas of Provo, Utah. He was both a Mason and an Odd Fellow.

DORR WILL BE ABLE TO APPEAR IN COURT

SALEM, Mass., Feb. 23.—William Dorr, the Stoughton, Cal., man who was with the murder of George E. Marshall, wealthy soap manufacturer in Lynn, Mass., was arrested there today on a warrant issued at Ensenada, the state capital. The warrants follow an investigation into the recent midnight shooting of H. Rankin, a Lowell deputy sheriff in Tijuana. The charge contained in the warrants was withheld.

LOWER CALIFORNIA OFFICIALS ARRESTED

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 23.—Herb Villazon, secretary to the lieutenant governor of Lower California, and Chas. Padilla, deputy postmaster at Tijuana, were arrested there today on warrants issued at Ensenada, the state capital. The warrants follow an investigation into the recent midnight shooting of H. Rankin, a Lowell deputy sheriff in Tijuana. The charge contained in the warrants was withheld.

Fletcher Confirms News.

Rear Admiral Fletcher, in command of the battleship squadron at Vera Cruz, in a brief dispatch to the navy department tonight, also confirmed the tragedy. Consul Canada, at Vera Cruz, reported that a friendly spirit pervaded the city, Washington's birthday, the American battleships, the Cuban cruiser and the Mexican warships in the harbor, all comprised the salute and firing salutes in honor of the great American. The government buildings displayed flags and in the afternoon the offices of the port called upon Admiral Fletcher.

The late messages bearing upon the Mexican situation were all laid before President Taft tonight and carefully read by him as soon as he reached the White House. The president, who before leaving New York had declared that he saw in the present deplorable occurrence no cause for intervention, made no further comment on the tragedy which was enacted in the Mexican capital after the United States had given the Huerta government to understand that it would

DETAILED ACCOUNT LAID BEFORE TAFT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—President Taft upon his return from New York tonight found a telegram from Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson at Mexico City, telling of the killing of former President Madero and former Vice President Suarez.

Mr. Wilson explained that the embassy was informed of the double tragedy last night by Minister for Foreign Affairs De la Barra, who said that the deposed leaders were killed while being

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The consul at Sattillo says Governor Carranza, who according to earlier reports, had refused to acknowledge the new government in Mexico City, now declared his allegiance to the new regime. Consul General Shanklin, at Mexico City, reports that Warren E. Coburn, safe, and that Charles S. Dolly, whom he also had been asked to inquire left Mexico some time ago.

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