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AN ULTIMATUM ISSUED TO HUERTA

Given Until 6 P. M. Sunday to Salute Flag--Reply Invites Crisis

President May Take Matter Before Congress Monday

HE MUST ACCEPT AT ONCE OR PORTS MAY BE SEIZED WITHOUT AWAITING ARRIVAL OF FLEET--ORDERS FLASHED TO OUR SHIPS NOW IN MEXICAN WATERS--HUERTA HAD REITERATED REQUEST FOR SIMULTANEOUS SALUTE.

Washington, April 18.—Huerta will salute the American flag at Tampico before 6 p. m. Sunday or President Wilson will go before Congress in joint session Monday and ask for authority to take such measures as may be necessary. This statement was issued at the White House:

PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT.

"General Huerta is still insisting upon doing something less than has been demanded and something less than would constitute an acknowledgement that his representatives were entirely in the wrong in the indignities they have put upon the government of the United States. The President has determined that if Huerta has not yielded by six o'clock on Sunday afternoon he will take the matter to Congress on Monday."

MUST SALUTE IMMEDIATELY.

Huerta has reiterated his counterproposition for a simultaneous salute; President Wilson has informed him that the United States stands on the original demand of Rear Admiral Mayo, and that he must accept immediately.

MAY SEIZE PORTS AT ONCE.

Secretary Bryan prepared President Wilson's answer which was immediately sent to Mexico City. It set forth that unless Huerta accepts the American demands immediately the plan for seizure of Tampico and Vera Cruz will be carried out without awaiting for Admiral Badger to reach Mexican waters.

ALSO RAILWAY.

The plan seizing Vera Cruz and Tampico also includes the seizure of the railway from Vera Cruz to Mexico City as far as a trestle about twenty miles west of Vera Cruz.

ORDERS TO SHIPS FLASHED OUT.

While President Wilson's final message was in transmission to Mexico City orders were flashed out from the navy department setting all the forces already in Mexican waters in readiness to enforce its terms. There were no orders to the troops at Texas City.

No Further Delay.

White house officials announced that unless Huerta saluted the flag according to President Wilson's demand as soon after receipt of today's message as was physically possible action would be taken without any further exchange.

Cabinet Summoned.

Members of the cabinet were summoned to the white house for conference. Postmaster General Burleson was the first to arrive. Others left their offices and hurried to the executive mansion.

"Very Grave Business."

President Wilson, Secretary Bryan and Secretary Tumulty returned to the white house offices. Their faces were grave and they were silent. All callers and those who had engagements with Mr. Wilson were turned away with the word that "very grave business" was being considered.

May Address Congress.

The board of aides, the executive force of the navy, went into a secret conference to complete plans for the movement of the fleet and marines. It was reported in official circles that President Wilson might address congress Monday.

May Take the Matter to Congress.

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Dramatic Scenes.

Scenes attending the morning's developments in the Mexican situation were dramatic. President Wilson had been across the Potomac to a secluded spot where he played golf.

When Charge O'Shaughnessy's dispatches were deciphered and their import became known to Secretary Bryan and Mr. Tumulty, a hurried attempt

was made to get the president on the telephone. Secretary Bryan and Mr. Tumulty started in a fast automobile and while they were rushing across the Virginia hills the white house telephone had succeeded in reaching the president, who hurried back to the club house and started for Washington.

Secretary Bryan and Mr. Tumulty met the president and out on a red dusty road and in the sun of a bright blue day the important dispatches were communicated and the journey was continued to the white house.

The president went to his study where he wrote his statement giving Huerta until 6 o'clock Sunday night. He typed it himself upon his personal typewriter as is his custom with important official documents. Then he decided that inasmuch as there probably would be no action before tomorrow night he would change his plans and go to White Sulphur Springs any way and bring Mrs. Wilson back to Washington.

At the navy department, in the absence of Secretary Daniels, who is at Cleveland, Ohio, today, the board of aides, the executive arm of the service, went into session to make the finishing plans for moving ships and marines.

There was no activity at the war department and no orders were issued for the troops at Texas City.

At the state department Secretary Bryan called a hurried conference with John Lind, the president's personal representative in Mexico, who has just returned from an eight-months' stay in Huerta's country and brought back first-hand information. After a conference with Mr. Lind Secretary Bryan hurried back to the white house where other cabinet officials had collected and although with grave faces

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ASSAILANT OF MITCHEL IS ARRAIGNED

Trial of Michael P. Mahoney Will Be Expedited -- If Not Adjudged Insane He May Get 20 Years in Prison--Corporation Counsel Polk Will Recover.

District Attorney Whitman After Examining Many Letters Written by Mahoney Describes Him as of "The Embittered and Sordid Type of Hobo".

New York, April 18.—Arraignment today on a charge of assault with intent to kill of Michael P. Mahoney to whose erring aim Mayor Mitchell owes his life, marked the first move of District Attorney Whitman for quick trial of the would-be assassin. An immediate indictment is expected to be returned by a grand jury, making it possible to bring Mahoney before a supreme court justice for early trial.

Mahoney faces a possible prison sentence of 20 years but should he be adjudged insane he will be committed to an asylum.

Frank L. Polk, corporation counsel, who was struck in the jaw by the bullet intended for the mayor, spent a restless night and suffered much pain. The bullet was removed early last night and the patient is expected to recover rapidly. His physicians announced today that he would be able to leave the hospital within two days and after a rest of two weeks he would be able to resume his official duties.

From the many incoherent letters written by Mahoney in which he attacked official acts of Mayor Mitchell, Mayor Armstrong of Pittsburgh and of Colonel Goethals and after a two hours study of the aged man District Attorney Whitman expressed the opinion that Mahoney was of the "embittered and sordid type of hobo." This statement forecast the probable action of the district attorney; that he would not oppose action to have the prisoner judged insane.

The attempted assassination caused Police Commissioner Woods today to assign a secret service squad to guard Mayor Mitchell. The commissioner has ordered that the mayor be guarded night and day. The squad will watch his home, accompany him to and from his home and city hall and go with him on trips about the city and out of town.

Mayor Mitchell, after seeing that Mr. Polk was made as comfortable as possible at the hospital, returned to his office and finished his day's work. Last night he attended a dinner at the press club, where he told the members of that organization that he expected some such happening as the act of Mahoney but that "it does seem unfair that one else would have to take the consequences of the hazard that properly belongs to me."

The mayor said he did not believe the attack on him was due to the concerted action of a group of agitators. He believed, he said, that "we have not come to that point in this city or in this country and that we never will where things of that kind are the result of concerted action by any group. We have no plots; we have not nihilism in this country. When such a thing as that does happen it is the product of the disordered brain of some unfortunate individual—the man who does not think straight, who warps the facts that he partly gathers from the daily press in recording the action of government."

To Police Captain Tunney, Mahoney told the story of his life, which was confirmed by entries in his diary and which gave little ground for belief that Mahoney acted under commands from another or in a concerted move to kill the mayor.

He told Captain Tunney that he had called at the city hall to remonstrate with Mayor Mitchell and had been "im- killed him," he said, "I then decided to kill him." He said, "I went down to the city hall Wednesday with the intention of killing him then, but I cooled off. Today (Friday) I went down there with the intention of finishing the job."

Mahoney came to the United States from Ireland about 60 years ago. In his diary Mahoney appeared to have a special grievance against the Masons and Odd Fellows and he also appeared to hold notions of wrongs against Andrew Carnegie.

Army Football Practice Begins.

West Point, N. Y., April 18.—Spring football practice for the army team started here today. Fifty candidates will participate. The army team will lose six men by graduation. There is plenty of good material, however, with which to fill vacancies.

CANDIDATES' MASS MEETING PROGRESS AT COURT HOUSE

The mass meeting of citizens called for noon today for the purpose of discussing candidates for the board of county commissioners was called to order at 12:30 o'clock and was still in session at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Hugh K. Reid of Sharon, on request, called the meeting to order. He stated that he did not know the object of it, but supposed that whoever had had it announced was present to explain it.

Squire W. D. Alexander, of this city, was made first temporary, and then permanent chairman of a meeting and Mr. V. S. Stephenson secretary.

There seemed to be much animosity on the part of those present as to the object of the meeting. Mr. Bob Bryant explained that he understood it was to name a board of county commissioners.

Mr. Reid stated that he understood it was to name a board of county commissioners. He thought that since "we already had a board of commissioners and had a primary set for May 16 to choose new ones, if necessary, that the meeting today was somewhat uncalled for in respect to the commissioner-ship." He made a ringing speech to the effect that those present should be in favor of securing competent men for the place but that should, by all manner of means not be chosen on the promise of what they would do for this or that neighborhood, but as to what they stood for in a constructive way for the entire county. His speech was warmly applauded.

Mr. S. T. Stowe and Mr. R. B. Hunter also made short talks. Mr. Stowe said he understood the issue before the meeting to be the election of a board of representation on the board between city and county. He thought the county entitled to a majority of the membership of the board, as in times past and that it would harmonize all elements for the city to have one man on the board, who might be chairman. He merely stated this, he said, as his understanding of what the issue was before the board.

Mr. R. B. Hunter said the personnel of the board was an important matter and that he was not in favor of changing it entirely at one time, leaving no former member on the board, all new members being inexperienced. He favored rotation of terms as in the United States senatorship.

Up to 2 o'clock, the hour of going to press, there being but one edition of The News on Saturday, the meeting was still in session, no action having been taken.

The forenoon air was surcharged, as Colonel Henry might say, with an interest so intense that it was seen and felt of all men. Groups of the county's citizenship held the corners and hugged the curb, one theme being uppermost, "Who shall be who" in Mecklenburg county for the next official term of office.

Toward noon the crowd drifted by two, three and four toward court house square. The yard, the lobbies, and the corridors became scenes of animated discussion, a prelude of the story the meetings, or conference would tell. City and county were about equally represented when the curtain rang up.

The first act was nearly over at the hour of going to press. Of the denouncement Sunday's News will tell.

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Cleveland, O., April 18.—Appeal for the enlistment of well trained, scholarly men in the cause of clean politics day by day by Secretary Daniels in an address to students of Western Reserve University. The leader of the future, Mr. Daniels said, would be the scholar—the man who stood fearless of the sneer of the "boss."

"I bring you this message that you students in this historic institution of learning are making the leaders of the future," the secretary said. "Our country has suffered too much from the lack of the scholar in politics."

"Our system of government with its legislative, judicial and executive departments, is ideal, but these three departments should not look with jealous eyes upon each other but should co-ordinate their respective functions. To this end we need scholarly, well trained leadership. Our statesmen have stood too much in fear of the sneer: 'Those d--- literally fellows.' The idea of the schoolmaster in the senate or the house or the white house does not appeal to the boss, for education is the enemy of bossism. The failure to send the scholar to the legislature and to congress has added much in the least of power which the boss has all too long enjoyed."

"The educated men and women of our country have not fully realized that their study should have been for the benefit of the people, and not merely for the gratification of their own minds or for the advancement merely of individual ends. A good education is an unsettled problem that threatens the public welfare; as long as there is an unrighted wrong in public life—and God knows there are yet many evils that need to be corrected—the people need the leadership and the influence of every man and woman who has been blessed with higher training."

"After you have expended upon making a living for your family, what is necessary, you will have a surplus of educational power left which should be placed at the disposal of the public good. Washington put his fortune as well as his sword at the disposal of his country. Robert Morris poured out his wealth freely into the treasury of the battling colonies."

"Massachusetts gained a world-wide fame for many years for keeping in the senate two of the most scholarly men in America, George Frisbee Hoar and Henry Cabot Lodge. It is to the glory of Mississippi that she keeps in the United States senate that wielder of Damascus blade, John Sharp Williams of the University of Virginia and Heidelberg."

"We are beginning to mend our methods and return to the ideals of Jefferson, the most scholarly of all the presidents unless it be the present occupant of the white house—and Jefferson gloried not in the public positions of trust which he had held, as he did in the authorship of the national declaration, the Virginia bill of rights and the establishment of the University of Virginia."

"I cannot but commend to you who are on the threshold of life a study of the scholars in politics, and beseech you to realize that you are needed in the world; work with your splendid preparation and your uplifted ideals, and set about before hand here in the University yielding these qualifications to the good of your fellowmen."

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It Is Now Up To Governor Coleman Please

CAMPAIGN OF CAILLAUX STIRS GREAT INTEREST

By Associated Press. Paris, April 18.—The campaign of Joseph Caillaux, former premier and minister of finance, for re-election to the chamber of deputies is attracting tremendous attention because of the assassination of Calmette by Mme. Caillaux and the alleged influence used by M. Caillaux to postpone the trial of the swindler Rochette.

While Mme. Caillaux awaits in prison the opening of her trial for murder her husband's political friends are busy seeking the support of the voters in his constituency of Marnes, in the department of the Sarthe. He has represented this constituency in the chamber since 1898.

Baron D'Estournelles de Constant Senator from the Sarthe, is Caillaux's principal supporter. Efforts of the baron and other Caillaux partisans have been so vigorous that the usually cold and cautious peasants of the district are beginning to regard Caillaux as the victim of reactionary plots in Paris and are inclined to give him ardent support.

Argument used in behalf of Caillaux are that his adversaries have not hesitated to use any means to ruin him. It is stated that he is threatened daily by blackmailers.

Baron D'Estournelles de Constant alluded in one of his campaign speeches to anonymous letters to Mme. Caillaux. He added: "I, myself, receive daily anonymous letters saying the loss of my son last year was a punishment of heaven."

Adversaries of M. Caillaux allege that the influence of the government is being used energetically in favor of the former premier.

M. Caillaux himself is taking no part in the speech making.

MANY PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN WALTERS CASE

By Associated Press. Opolousas, La., April 18.—With practically all the state's evidence submitted in the trial of W. C. Walters, charged with kidnapping 5-year-old Robert Dunbar, speculation today centered on the effect the verdict would have on those directly involved. The life of Walters is in jeopardy while two women are claiming one boy as their son. Any verdict will bring disappointment to one woman or possibly leave legal doubt as to the boy's identity. Mrs. C. P. Dunbar, of Opelousas, accepts the child taken from Walters when he was arrested as her son and the state is trying to prove it. Julia Anderson, of North Carolina, maintains the boy is Bruce Anderson, her offspring, and the defense contends it has witnesses to bear it out.

Two points are undisputed—the boy the Dunbars have in their possession was the one found with Walters in Mississippi and that Walters left North Carolina with the boy known as Bruce Anderson. This has raised the question that if the child is identified as either Robert Dunbar or Bruce Anderson, where is the other?

The defense has indicated it will attempt to show that Robert Dunbar was not stolen from the vicinity of Lake Swasey, near Opelousas, as charged, but fell into the lake and was eaten by alligators.

Dragging the lake failed to solve the mystery.

If Walters is found guilty he may be sent to the gallows.

Those who have watched the case closely, however, say that efforts of each side to prove the boy is the one they contend him to be might raise the question of reasonable doubt as to Walters' guilt. This would make possible a verdict of not guilty and leave the boy in limbo.

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This is the Mandate of Secretary Garrison After Conference With South Carolina Representatives -- Encampment May Go To This or Some Other State.

By Associated Press. Washington, April 18.—"If Governor Blease comes down as he did, once before the encampment of the organized militia of Southern States will be held on the Isle of Palms," said Secretary Garrison today after a conference with Representatives Whaley and Brynes of South Carolina.

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