

REBELS CAPTURE 3 STRONGHOLDS

Entire Garrison at Acapulco—Rebel Agent Reports Victories at Monterey and Penasco.

GUARD BEGINS MARCH TO SALTILLO

Carranza Parleyed With Mediators While Preparing for War—Mediation Preliminaries Continue.

Washington, May 7.—The vanguard of the constitutional forces at Durango and Torreon has started on its march against Saltillo and Zuatecas, according to a report received at the department today from Consul Durango.

Washington, May 7.—Carranza's attitude toward mediation which, temporarily, at least, has eliminated him from general negotiations aimed at the settlement of Mexico's ills, was declared to have been revealed today by a special report of a vigorous rebel campaign marked by significant victories. His declaration to end mediation negotiations was based on at least on rebel successes, according to constitutionalist representatives here.

While Carranza parleyed with the South American envoys over details of their proposals, three powerful forces were hurled against federal strongholds. Results of the movements as reported by Carranza to Raul Duran, interior minister of the constitutional cabinet, now in Washington:

Rebel Successes.

Part of 3,000 federal troops at Acapulco, near Luis Potosi with the capture of prisoners and quantities of arms and ammunition.

Part of Acapulco, Tepic, 1,700 men surrendering. One million rounds of ammunition and quantities of arms and quantities of field guns, artillery and other equipment from fleeing column that had been at Monterey.

Receipt of his chief's report that Zuburan was emphatic in a statement that within the next month rebel armies would be invading Carranza's capital.

General Zuburan today estimated more than 4,000 rebel troops are now in the field. Villa, he said, has 15,000 soldiers in north central Mexico; Gonzalez 15,000 men threatening Tampico, and Obregon 15,000 men operating on the west coast.

With Carranza definitely eliminated from mediation negotiations which are to be launched at Niagara Falls, Canada, on May 13, the reports of rebel victories overshadowed all other news in the Mexican crisis today. The news came as a surprise to many observers because it was believed the rebels' next move would be aimed at Saltillo.

Brigadier General Funston had authorized to extend his lines at Vera Cruz for defensive purposes if it became necessary, the situation at Vera Cruz is reported unchanged.

Capture Confirmed. Confirmation of the capture of the entire federal garrison at Acapulco, Tepic, by constitutionalists, was reported today by the department today from the Consul General W. Keyes at Saltillo.

Reopens Consulate. American Consul Agent Montague reopened the American consulate at Cananea, Sonora, according to a report to the state department today from Consul Simpkins. He also reports 16 American refugees have returned to Cananea, and that the movement of American refugees from the north has ceased.

The first session of the mediators began at 11 o'clock. The three committees are proceeding informally, their deliberations being aimed principally toward completion of preparations for the Niagara Falls conference.

It was thought unlikely that the American delegates to the sessions in Canada would be named today, though Secretary Bryan had been holding numerous conferences with the president regarding their selection. It was reported that a justice of the Supreme court might be one of those chosen to act for this government.

Continued victories of the constitutional forces, the mediators said, would not interfere with progress of the mediation negotiations. Many officials, however, thought it possible further success of the rebel campaign might present physical considerations materially altering the plans of the South American diplomats.

Canal Protected. Army detachments have been stationed to protect the Panama canal zone, Colonel Guethala, governor of the canal zone, reported to the war department today. Two companies of the 14th regiment have been stationed at Gatun, one company at Pedro Miguel and one company at Miraflores.

BUSY DAY AT WHITE HOUSE

Troop of Decorators Transforms Halls and Rooms With Flowers In Preparation for Wedding.

THE CARES OF STATE ARE IN BACKGROUND

Miss Wilson Has Received Numerous and Valuable Presents, Both Domestic and Personal.

Washington, May 7.—Cares of state and rumors of war were retired to the background at the White House today when Cupid and Hymen took charge of preparations for the marriage to-night of Miss Eleanor Randolph Wilson, youngest daughter of the president, to William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury.

Though the wedding was to be simple and private the White House bustled with preparations for the event. President Wilson cancelled all appointments and did not visit the executive offices. He spent the day with the guests at the White House for the wedding and the affair took on the appearance of a Wilson family reunion.

The bride-to-be and her girl friends were busy making ready for the ceremony. The six girl chums who would have been bridesmaids had the ceremony been more elaborate were on hand to aid in the final preparations. They were Miss Helen Hunter, of Portsmouth, Va.; Miss Marjorie Brown, of Atlanta, Ga.; Miss Henrietta Stedman, of Wilmington, Del.; Miss Susan Fine, and Miss Elizabeth Duffield of Princeton, N. J.; and Mrs. Charles Kellogg of Athens, Pa.

A troop of decorators took charge of the White House and halls and rooms were transformed with masses of spring blossoms. The blue room, where the ceremony will be performed, was particularly adorned.

Washington, May 7.—Wedding presents received by Miss Eleanor Randolph Wilson on her marriage today to Secretary McAdoo besides being numerous and valuable, have the added quality of being in many instances of a personal and domestic nature, signifying the interest taken in the home life of the new cabinet couple.

The bridegroom, in addition to the splendid string of diamonds which his bride will wear at the wedding, is also reported to have given her the opal brooch, surrounded by a ring of large diamonds which she has worn frequently of late and a wrist bracelet in which a tiny watch is bordered with diamonds. The engagement ring is said to have been a large diamond solitaire, and another ring from Mr. McAdoo was an opal surrounded by diamonds. The opal is a birth stone for both the bride and bridegroom, as their birthday anniversaries occur in October.

The gift of the president and Mrs. Wilson has not been made known but is understood to be something similar to the gift they made the first bride of the family, a set of furniture for the bride to use in her new home.

The cabinet members and their wives joined in giving an elegant set silver dinner plates and a silver platter.

The vice president and Mrs. Marshall were not in this city at the Sayre-Wilson wedding, for which Mrs. Marshall spent part of her last summer's leisure time in making by hand dainty things to give the bride. Her present for today's bride is also of a personal character.

Several of the cabinet women have also sent the bride pieces of their handiwork in linen, lace and embroidery for personal and household use.

The senate's present was a gold bracelet, studded with diamonds. The gift from the house of representatives consists of a silver tea service, a large tray, with kettle and stand, tea pot, coffee pot, sugar bowl, cream pitcher, waste bowl and a pair of silver candelabra.

There were many other presents from the large circle of relatives and friends.

Mr. McAdoo did not visit the White House until late in the day. He entertained his fellow cabinet members and Dr. Cary T. Grayson, who will be best man at the wedding, at a luncheon at noon.

Arkansas River Now at Record Height. Wichita, Kan., May 7.—The Arkansas river at this point today reached the highest mark known in 29 years. Flood waters due to recent heavy rains in western Kansas and Eastern Colorado have sent the stream 10 feet above low water mark, causing the railroads to fear for the safety of bridges. The river is believed to have reached its maximum height.

MEXICANS KILL AN AMERICAN

Two Subjects of Great Britain Also Put to Death By Bandits in Mine Near Guadalajara.

MEMBERS OF SMITH FAMILY IN DANGER

Four Persons Killed on the Streets of Mazatlan by a Bomb Dropped From Rebel Aeroplane.

Washington, May 7.—One American and two British subjects have been killed at mines in the vicinity of Guadalajara. A Mr. Randall, presumably a British subject, and seven Americans cut off by bandits in the vicinity. Other Americans are safe. This information came in a dispatch from the British vice consul at Guadalajara to the British embassy today.

The dispatch to the British embassy was sent in response to an inquiry about conditions at the Cinco Minas mine and the safety of Americans there. It reads: "Bullion buried. Concentrates stored. Both safe. Americans all safe. One American and two British killed at other mines in Jalisco. All mines shut down completely. Randall and seven Americans cut off by bandits at Mascota and Huachuquingo. Only 15 Americans in Jalisco."

Disquieting News. The dispatch did not mention the names of the American and British killed. Disquieting news also was received at the embassy from Tampico. Both federals and constitutionalists threaten to interfere with the British and American oil operators who were returning to the oil district to resume operations under the promise of protection from both sides. The Mexicans have notified the British commander that no one will be allowed to land unless all warships are withdrawn. Instructions have been sent to the returning operatives not to attempt a landing at any port unless instructed by the British commander on the spot.

Ten in Danger. Washington, May 7.—Ten members of the Smith family in jail at Tonalá, Chiapas, are in danger of their lives because of Mexican resentment of their part in the recent killing of three Mexicans at San Pedro, according to a report today from Minister Leavell in Guatemala. The Mexicans were members of a rural guard and invaded the Smith home at San Pedro to disarm the occupants. In the fight which ensued the Mexicans were worsted but the Americans were later arrested.

Killed by Bomb. On Board U. S. S. California, Mazatlan, Mex., May 6.—(Via Wireless to San Diego, Cal., May 7.)—Four persons were killed and eight were injured today by the explosion of a bomb that was dropped into the city streets from a rebel airplane.

Firing between the rebel and federal fortifications continues and in the artillery duel the besieging forces have had the better of it so far.

FRANCE TRIES TO SECURE SAFETY OF SILLIMAN

Washington, May 7.—The French government is taking active steps to obtain news and secure the safety of John R. Silliman, American vice consul at Saltillo, who disappeared while on a mission to San Luis Potosi. The French charge d'affaires at Mexico City made representations to General Huerta about him and the French embassy here has been informed that Huerta promised to order all federal commanders to protect Mr. Silliman in every way. The charge added, however, that telegraphic communication with Saltillo was interrupted.

PEACE TREATY WITH U. S. SATISFACTORY IN ROME

Rome, May 7.—The signing at Washington May 6, of a new peace treaty between the United States and Italy is commented upon favorably here. The Corriere d'Italia today says the matter is one of great importance, particularly as Italy has a deep interest in the labor situation in the United States. The foreign affairs minister of the foreign affairs, has congratulated Thomas Nelson Page, the American ambassador, on the conclusion of this convention, telling him it is a long step in the direction of Italian-American unity.

The new Italian treaty provides that any question between the United States and Italy which cannot be settled by diplomacy shall be submitted for investigation to an international commission of five members.

Attention was paid to so-called schemes for social betterment when the delegates declared there are many who would have the church "abandon her high calling in Christ Jesus and give her self exclusively to all sorts of pretentious programs for 'social betterment,' 'improved environment' and the like. They conjure her to rely on eugenics rather than upon regeneration by the Holy Ghost and plant

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VANDERBILT IS LOST, THEY SAY

Church Is Left Mere Shadow of Connection With University, Say Bishops to General Conference.

MATTER TO COMMITTEE IS RECOMMENDATION

Address Opposes Attempt to Direct Vanderbilt Affairs—Membership Increase Is 171,237.

Oklahoma City, May 7.—The address of the bishops, or general superintendents of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, containing a review of the work of the past four years and recommendations as to changes in laws, practices and other matters affecting the church was the center of interest at the opening of the quadrennial conference yesterday.

While the address reviewed the reorganization of the missionary department of the church; reported action on the question of federation with the Methodist Episcopal church and discussed the question of "laity rights," for women, special attention was given to the bishops position in regard to Vanderbilt university at Nashville.

After several years of litigation the Tennessee Supreme court recently decided the church, through its bishops, did not control the school.

The bishops reviewed the action of the last general conference and other church action in the matter. The proposed gift of \$1,000,000 to Vanderbilt by Andrew Carnegie was vetoed by the bishops, it was pointed out, because it "proposed the segregation of the medical department and its control by a board unknown to the charter, and expressed sentiments to the detriment of the church."

"The decree of the court leaves to the church a mere shadow of connection with the university," declared the address, "which in our opinion, does not justify the church in any attempt to direct the affairs of the institution or assume any responsibility for it. We are thus deprived of what we honestly believed to be our own. Indeed, the ownership of the university by the church was never questioned for more than thirty years by any one."

"Our Vanderbilt." "The address of the bishops to the last general conference expressed the universal sentiment of all concerned when Vanderbilt university was called 'our Vanderbilt,' ours in morals and in law."

After referring to the appointment of the commissioners to investigate the Vanderbilt subject and the acceptance of the report by the church the address continued: "We don't presume to indicate to you what course you should pursue to repair the loss which has been inflicted upon the church. That is for the wisdom of the general conference to determine. We venture to express the opinion that our people will promptly supply whatever means you may judge necessary. It is respectfully recommended that the whole matter be referred to a select committee to report what should be done."

During the four year period now ended, it was pointed out, the increase in church membership was 171,237; the increase in profits from the church publishing houses at Nashville, Tenn., Dallas, Texas and Richmond, Va., was \$116,760.87.

On educational interests the address showed there are 87 schools as compared to 102 in 1910, but showing an increase in value of grounds, buildings and equipments of \$3,149,989 and an increase of \$3,282,193 in endowments.

It was stated that these figures included Vanderbilt university but not the Southern Methodist university at Dallas, now in course of building. The enrollment in the schools of the church was 19,318, compared to 21,063 in 1910.

Question of Missions. In discussing the question of missions the bishops pointed out that the opening of the Panama canal "brings the orient to our doors and also creates new and splendid lines of communication with other nations in the western hemisphere."

"The general conference in 1910 reorganized the missionary department of the church, uniting the bodies then known as the board of missions, the woman's foreign missionary society and the woman's home mission society. The report of the board of missions as now constituted will be laid before the conference later."

Social Betterment.

MINE OFFICIALS ARE DISARMING

Routine Affairs Before Veterans

Most Important Business to Be Disposed of Is Election of Officers.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 7.—While visitors thronged the streets of the city and detachments of veterans, accompanied by fire and drum corps marched along many downtown thoroughfares, business sessions were held today by the United Confederate Veterans and Sons of Veterans. Election of officers by the latter organization was the most important work of the day.

The forenoon session and the greater part of the afternoon session of the veterans' convention was devoted to committee reports. It was expected that the organization would elect officers before adjournment tonight.

Many believed that General Bennett H. Young of Louisville, present commander-in-chief of the United Confederate veterans, would be re-elected to office if he signified that he would accept the honor. Other names prominently mentioned in connection with the office include General Felix Robertson of Texas and General K. M. Van Zandt, commander of the trans-Mississippi department.

Three cities have representatives here endeavoring to obtain the 26th annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans and allied organizations. They are Richmond, Memphis and Tulsa, Okla. The veterans also have received an invitation from Governor J. M. Cox of Ohio, to hold their next reunion on the state house grounds at Columbus.

Memorial exercises were held today.

METHODISTS DISPOSING OF ROUTINE BUSINESS

Bishop E. R. Hendrix Presiding—Call Roll of Annual Conferences.

Oklahoma City, May 7.—A day of routine business faced the delegates to the quadrennial conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, today when they convened at 9 o'clock for the second day's session. Bishop E. R. Hendrix of Kansas City occupied the chair and led in the devotional exercises.

The first business of the day was the call of the roll of annual conferences for the presentation of memorials and petitions. Following this, reports of the commission on constitution, the trustees of the M. E. church, South, and several of the boards were received.

Women Conductors. Des Moines, Iowa, May 7.—Nearly 400 club women here today braved the rain to observe the annual trolley day" by acting as street car conductors. A percentage of the day's proceeds will be turned over by the company to the women's club.

Sailors Detained. Buffalo, N. Y., May 7.—Nineteen Canadian sailors are being detained at the Erie county jail to be used as witnesses against vessel owners who are alleged to have violated immigration laws covering the shipping of men from foreign nations on American ships.

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Guns Have Been Stacked by Guards Ready to Be Delivered to The United States Troops.

STRIKERS' ARMS WILL BE DEMANDED TOMORROW

Governor Ammons is Given Authority to Close Saloons And to Prohibit Importation of Arms.

Trinidad, Col., May 7.—Mine officials at Tabasco, Berwind, Hastings, Delagua, Forbes, Huertano and Aguilar, practically all the mines in the Ludlow district, were notified today by the executive officers of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and the Victor American Fuel company to deliver up all arms on their premises to the federal troops upon demand. The guns had been stacked, the mine officers said upon the arrival of federal troops and the guards discharged from further duty.

Colonel Lockett in command of the federal troops in this district, had expected to complete the disarmament of mine guards in Las Animas and Huertano counties today but owing to the delayed arrival of a portion of the 11th cavalry regiment from Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, it was thought probable the completion of this work would not be reached until tomorrow. The strikers then will be called upon to deliver arms in their possession to the troops.

The number of guns in possession of the strikers is variously estimated from 50 to 1200. The mine owners were said to have possessed eight machine guns and an unknown number of rifles and small arms.

Administration Wins. Denver, Col., May 7.—The administration program triumphant in the Colorado senate late yesterday. The bill authorizing the governor to close saloons in districts affected by strike disturbances was passed on second reading. After the debate on the liquor bill the military committee reported with recommendation the bill authorizing the governor to prohibit their importation of arms.

A flurry was created when Senator William J. Metz, who appears in the record as sponsor for the military measure, asked that his name be taken from it. He explained that he objected to the bill because it prevented the arming of strikers while permitting any number of armed deputy sheriffs to be sworn in. He said he had not read the bill.

A plan to levy an income tax to meet the expense of the militia in the strike zone was initiated.

110 Weapons Surrendered. Washington, May 7.—Major Symonds of two troops of cavalry in Boulder county, Colorado, reported to the war department today that up to last night a total of 110 weapons had been given up to federal troops by strikers and mine guards in that district.

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