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MEDIATORS ASK ARMISTICE

Europe Asked to Bring Pressure On Wilson

Want Him to Make Conditions Such That Huerta Will Accept—Japan Refused Huerta's Request

The "A. B. C." Diplomats Take First Step in Peace Negotiations Asking United States and Mexico to Consent to Armistice While Negotiations Are in Progress.

Bryan Says No Other Countries Have Sought to Join With the Conferees—Peace Envoys Are Down at Hard Work—Rebels Will Play Game of Hands Off.

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 29.—An armistice in the difficulties between the United States and Mexico has been asked of this government and General Huerta by the South American envoys who have undertaken to avert war through mediation.

No Other Mediators Asked. Washington, D. C., April 29.—No suggestion has been made to this government looking to the selection of mediators representing any other governments than Brazil, Argentina and Chile in the settlement of difficulties with General Huerta in Mexico.

Huerta's Attitude. The Brazilian ambassador, Mr. Da Gama, today presented to Secretary Bryan a despatch from the Brazilian legation in Mexico City dealing with the mediation negotiations.

Envoys Meet at 10:30. The envoys of Brazil, Argentina and Chile resumed their mediation conference at 10:30 a. m. today, still seeking to mature some middle ground of agreement between the United States and Mexico.

Japan Turned Huerta Down. The Japanese government, it has developed, was asked and declined to let the Huerta administration through its diplomatic representatives in Washington and its consuls in the United States, prior to Mexico's application to Spain to perform this mission, which was accepted.

Rebels to Remain Neutral. A report today that Carranza and Villa, the constitutionalist leader, had agreed to remain neutral in dealings between Huerta and the American government "so long as there was no invasion of their territory" was an encouraging development.

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peace plans, The Brazilian minister in Mexico City also was notified and he communicated the information to General Huerta.

The communication addressed to both governments by the mediation envoys, formally requests each government to declare an armistice. It was pointed out by officials here that in all probability the United States would accept the proposal, notwithstanding the fact that this government has not recognized that a state of war in Mexico exists insofar as the operations of the United States are concerned.

Under the armistice, in accordance with international proceeding, neither the Huerta government nor the United States would pause in preparations for war. Plans for position of the fleet would proceed, but the armistice would prohibit actual hostilities in the field and any extension of military movement by either side in Mexico, pending the settlement of the dispute.

Officials expressed keen interest in unofficial reports from Berlin that the mediators had asked European powers to use influence on President Wilson that would prevent this government making conditions of settlement as a condition of the success of the effort to bring about peace.

After his visit to Secretary Bryan, Ambassador Da Gama returned to the Argentine legation, where the envoys resumed their conference. When this government would make a formal answer to the armistice proposal was not indicated here.

While scores of Americans continued their hurried exodus from Mexico and Brig. Gen. Funston's troops were landing to complete the occupation of Vera Cruz today the representatives of three South American governments resumed the preliminaries of their attempt to steer the Mexican crisis into ways of peace.

The army and navy today continued to execute their military chapters in plans to meet any eventualities but in shadow by that evinced in the work of the representatives of the South American republics.

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QUIET PREVAILS TODAY IN COL. STRIKE ZONE

By Associated Press.

Denver, Colo., April 29.—The militia will be withdrawn as the federal troops occupy the strike districts. We will co-operate in every way to restore order.

In Fremont county, where troops E and H, 125 cavalry, were expected soon to relieve the militia, no disorder was reported. Upon arrival of federal soldiers, the militia were under orders to entrain for Walsenburg.

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Official circles here among the union leaders there was expression of confidence that the federal troops would control the situation.

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President Asks Conference. Washington, April 29.—President Wilson has asked the president of the Kentucky Mine Operators' Association and the Alabama Mine Operators' organization to come to Washington immediately for a conference.

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WEATHER FORECAST. Forecast for North Carolina: Unsettled tonight and Thursday, probably local showers.

3 TRAIN LOADS OF REFUGEES STARTED OUT

Huerta Officials Permit Many Americans to go to the Coast—Refuses to Allow an Escort—Much Anxiety Felt by People in Vera Cruz Over Fate of the Refugees.

Commander Tweedie of British Cruiser Essex Renders Valuable Aid in Getting Americans Out of Danger Zone—Many Stories of Arrest and Assault.

Vera Cruz, April 29.—Anxiety in Vera Cruz as to friends and relatives in the interior has been greatly relieved by the events of yesterday which show that the Mexican authorities are permitting Americans to come down to the coast.

The train on which Commander Tweedie returned to Vera Cruz stopped at Soledad and picked up one hundred American refugees who came from Tirra Blanca, Cordoba and Orizaba.

President Huerta, Minister of War Blanquez and Foreign Minister Portillo J. Rojas assured Commander Tweedie they would release all American prisoners and that all Americans desiring to go south might leave via the steamer returns to Vera Cruz on which they would go without escort.

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General Huerta declared there was no reason for placing an escort on the refugee trains and anyway he did not care to assume responsibility for the safety of passengers.

It was planned, according to Commander Tweedie, to start out two trains on Sunday morning for five days, and the same program will be carried out at the picture shows the week following.

NEXT SUNDAY The Charlotte News will publish the first installment of the most fascinating serial story of the present day—"Lucile Love, The Girl of Mystery."

Little Hope For 178 Men Buried In Coal Mine

2,270 REFUGEES HAVE LEFT TAMPICO

Tampico, April 27.—via Vera Cruz, April 29.—The American exodus from Tampico which began Wednesday April 22 virtually reached its end today with the departure for Vera Cruz of about sixty American refugees on board the tank steamer Canfield.

A score of Americans still are in Tampico. They are being sheltered in the homes of Mexican friends along the Panuco river and are in little danger.

No credible reports have reached here of any damage to the oil wells, tanks and pipe lines in the Tampico and Panuco regions, but the Corona and other great wells in the Panuco districts are overflowing.

There was almost a condition of panic among the Americans last Wednesday when without an hour's warning a little squadron of American vessels under Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo steamed down the river and left more than 2,000 Americans defenseless in Tampico.

The temper of the Mexican population toward the Americans during the exodus was not nearly so violent as might have been expected.

The Americans who left Tampico Sunday were quartered aboard the cruiser Des Moines where they remained until they were transferred to the Canfield, which is now taking them to Galveston.

As a result of the exodus of foreigners and the dispersal of a large part of the native population, business in Tampico is at a standstill.

While there is good reason to believe the rebels investing Tampico will reject any proposal to ally themselves with the federals for the purpose of resisting any possible American aggression there is some uncertainty as to what course the federals would pursue in such an eventuality.

Considering the federal situation from the standpoint of rebel attack all indications point to their ability to defend Tampico indefinitely.

FLORIDA BANK ROBBED. Tampa, Fla., April 29.—Robbers effected entrance to the State Bank of Apopka, at that place early this morning and with nitroglycerine blew the vault open.

Terrific Explosion in Mine at Eccles W. Va., Results In Disaster To Many Miners

UPTON SINCLAIR AND PARTY ARRESTED

By Associated Press.

New York, April 29.—Upton Sinclair, his wife and three women were arrested today after a demonstration at the offices of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in the Standard Oil building.

The woman carried an American flag into the office and described herself as Mrs. Belle N. Silverman.

Mrs. Silverman sought to place this message before the younger Rockefeller: "I am an American citizen, standing at your door, waiting for just a word with you. Will you grant me this request? My question will be brief and to the point."

The prisoners were taken to Old Slip police station where Mrs. Silverman was released. The other women who were placed in cells pending their arraignment in court said they were Mrs. Elizabeth Freeman, and English suffragette who has once been in jail with Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst; Mrs. Margaret Remington Charter, and Mrs. Donie Lietner.

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BASEBALL BULLETINS

AMERICAN LEAGUE. By Associated Press. At Philadelphia: Clear. Washington, Engel and Henry; Houck and Schanz.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. At Philadelphia: Cloudy. Alexander and Kilffer; Ragan and Fischer.

DR. DENNIS HEADS BARACA UNION

Special to The News. Durham, April 29.—The Baraca-Philathea Convention closed with an organization of a separate Junior Baraca-Philathea Association.

Eight Bodies Taken Out of Mine No. 6 and 67 Men Taken Out Alive—In No. 5 the 178 Men Imprisoned Have Probably All Perished—Rescuers Work, However, in Hope.

Governor Hatfield Reaches the Scene and Directs the Rescue Work—Fire Followed Explosion—Many of the Rescued are Seriously Injured.

Eccles, W. Va., April 29.—Hope that some of the 178 miners imprisoned in mine No. 5 of the New River Collieries Company, wrecked by mine No. 6 by an explosion yesterday, might still be alive stirred the throng on the mountainside shortly before noon.

Early in the day Gov. Hatfield and Chief Inspector Earl Henry headed a party of mining engineers and superintendents in an effort to enter No. 6. They were compelled to give up the attempt because of obstructions.

The crew from rescue car No. 7 of the bureau of mines, has been steadily at work since its arrival, and many experienced miners from the surrounding country have been organized by the government engineers so that the work of clearing a way to the buried men may proceed with the least possible interruption.

Twenty-five doctors have arrived here and a carload of coffins came today. A great crowd has collected on the mountain waiting until the galleries of No. 5 are unsealed and their tragic story told.

Eccles, W. Va., April 29.—Eight bodies have been recovered from shaft No. 6 of the New River Collieries Company, which with shaft No. 5 was wrecked by an explosion yesterday. Sixty-seven men were taken out alive. There are no more men in No. 6. One hundred and seventy-eight are buried in No. 5 and officers of the company expressed the opinion this morning that none would escape.

A rescue party was dropped down shaft No. 5 soon after 8 o'clock and got within 129 feet of the bottom. There the progress of the cage was stopped by broken and twisted timbers and a heavy fall of earth. Work was commenced clearing away the debris and it was thought the bottom could be reached this afternoon.

No gas was detected on this level and mining experts expressed the belief the mine was not then on fire.

Governor H. D. Hatfield, of West Virginia, is in charge of the relief work while Earl Henry, chief of the state department of mines, and H. C. Baylas, general manager of the collieries company are leading the rescue crews.

The entrances to the mines are far apart but the workings join underground so that when the dust exploded in mine No. 5 the flames entered No. 6. Many of those rescued are burned severely and improvised hospitals here and at Beckley are crowded.

When it was found shaft No. 5 was burning the entrance was closed and the entrance to No. 6 workings were braced. There is little hope that any of the men in No. 5 are still alive as the explosion was followed quickly by outbursts of flames.