

O'SHAUGHNESSY WAS KILLED ACCORDING TO LATE REPORT

Americans Are In Control Of Vera Cruz

Unconfirmed Report That American Battleship Had Been Blown Up And That Many Men Were Killed—Grave Fears Felt For Safety of U. S. Charge

(Special to the Journal.)
WASHINGTON, April 22.—At 11 o'clock tonight it has been more than fifty-four hours since a message was received from Charge O'Shaughnessy and grave fears are felt for his safety. There has been a number of reports that he has been killed but up to this hour none have been verified by Secretary Daniels.

Battleship is blown up

There is an unconfirmed report that one of the battleships in the harbor of Vera Cruz has been blown up by submarine mines. This message came through by wireless but has not been definitely made known. It is also reported that a number of Americans have been killed.

Huerta ready for war

President Wilson learned tonight that Huerta was preparing for war in every known way and was anxious to fight. The rebel leader Caranza has protested against the landing of the American marines at Tampico. Dispatches say that he considers the landing of marines an action of war against the whole of Mexico. The marines are meeting with stubborn resistance.

While Secretary Bryan and Secretary Daniels are under a great strain, sleeping but little and remaining in their offices all during the day, there is not the least danger that they will suffer a complete breakdown as was reported earlier in the day.

All during the day the War Department has been a scene of great activity. The handling of the various vessels is being expedited and the Mexican shores will tomorrow morning be lined with a large number of the American war craft.

U. S. occupies Vera Cruz

WASHINGTON, 11:10 a. m.—The House agreed to the Senate resolution by acclamation. But few Republicans voted. Advice received say that the American forces proceeded to occupy the section of Vera Cruz not taken last night. The consignment of ammunition taken from the German vessel will be used by the American forces against Huerta. Secretary Bryan and Daniels denied that had received word of O'Shaughnessy's assassination which was reported at the War Department. President

Wilson called for war news immediately after arising. Bryan and Daniels are on the verge of a nervous collapse.

Marines land at Tampico

WASHINGTON, 12:35 P. M.—Admiral Badger and Consul Canada reported that four thousand marines had been landed at Tampico under the protection of the guns of the fleet. The American women in Tampico are still within the firing line. The customs warehouse at Vera Cruz was set afire but the blaze was extinguished before any damage could be done. A train load of Americans from Mexico City have so far failed to arrive. The American warships began shelling Vera Cruz at dawn after the Mexican authorities had refused to cease firing. Great damage has been done in the southwestern part of the city. Admiral Badger posted a proclamation throughout the city calling upon the natives to cooperate in keeping order, promising if they were peaceful, they would receive protection, and telling them that the consequences would be serious if they interfered with the Americans.

War resolution is signed

WASHINGTON, 2:15 p. m.—Speaker Clark and President Protem Clarke of the Senate, both signed the War Resolution, which was rushed to the White House. It is reported that Huerta has ordered reinforcements forward to resist the Americans and that the Mexicans are blowing up bridges in the path of the Americans who are enroute to Mexico City. The possession of Vera Cruz is now complete.

The gunboat Annapolis has been ordered to intercept Japanese vessel enroute to the West coast with ammunition for the Mexicans. No word has yet been received from Charge O'Shaughnessy. This makes 48 hours since he has been heard from.

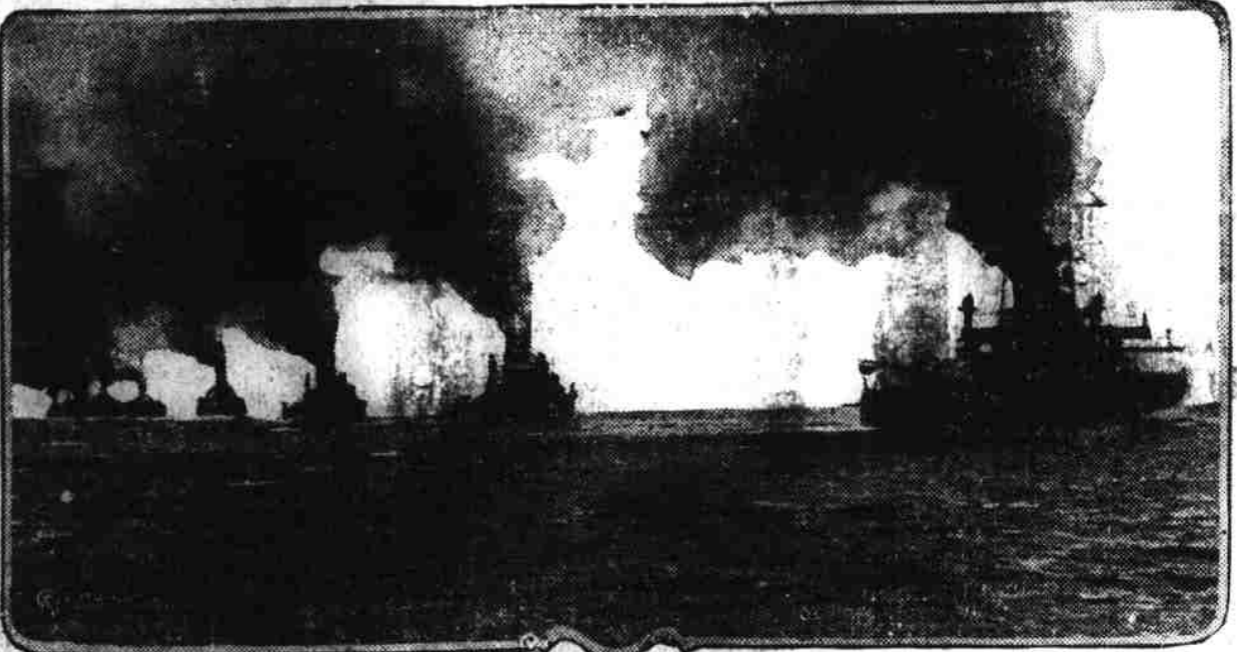
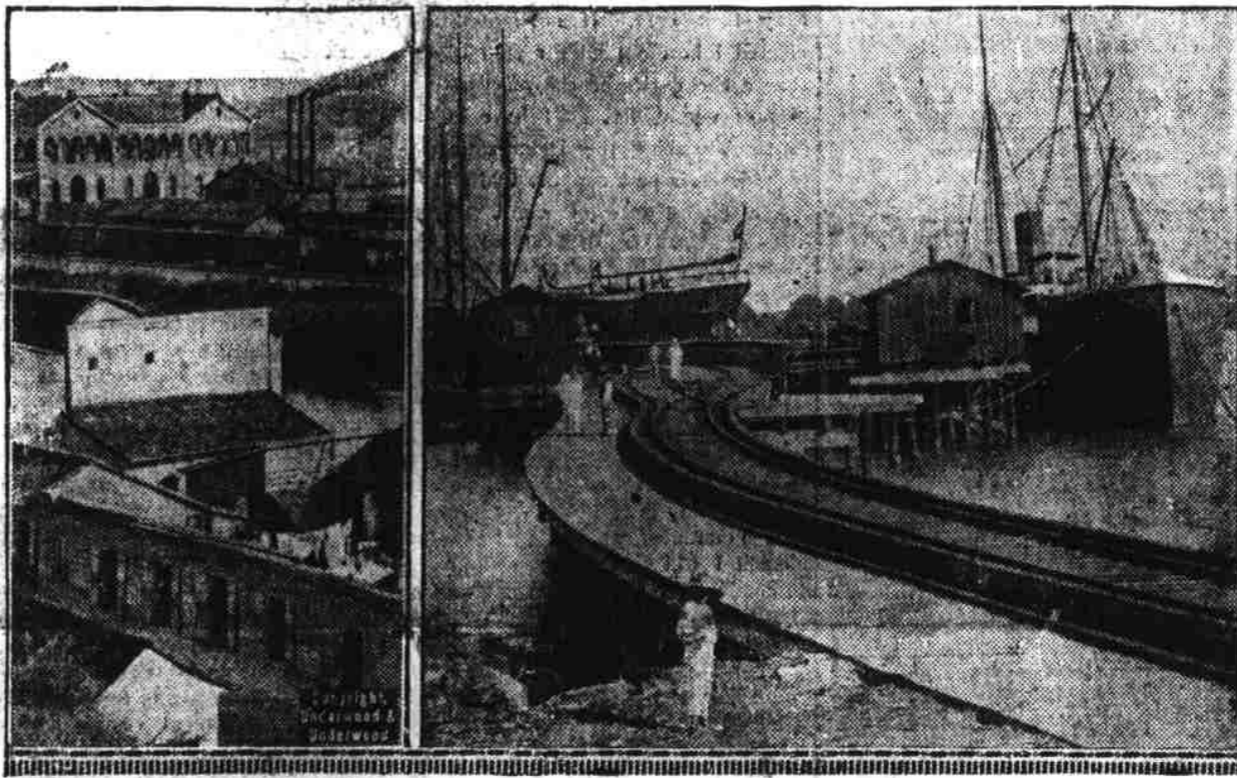
Secretary Daniels ordered the battleships Virginia, Georgia, Nebraska, to proceed to Mexico. Admiral Fletcher is disarming the Mexicans at Vera Cruz.

Mexican Ambassador to leave

WASHINGTON, 2:20 p. m.—It is reported that Tampico was taken at noon. Secretary Bryan declares that he has received no announcement of this. President Wilson signed the War resolution at 1:05 o'clock. Mexican Charge Algora will ask for passports tomorrow, leaving Mexican diplomatic affairs in the hands of the French ambassadors.

SCENES FROM THE FRONT

In the first picture is shown the Tampico customs house and docks. In the second view is seen the Atlantic Fleet under command of Rear Admiral Badger. These boats are now lying off Tampico. In the bottom picture is shown a photograph of Admiral Boush, Capt. Smith and a scene at Vera Cruz.



STRIKERS COLONY SCENE OF DEATH IN COLORADO

Thirteen Killed and Many Wounded.

BATTLE BETWEEN MINERS

Militia Called To Quiet Disturbance And The Real Trouble Begins.

TRINIDAD, COL., April 22.—Thirteen women and a number of children possibly ten, were smothered to death in the fire that swept the Ludlow tent colony last night, according to a statement given out at union headquarters. The party had refuge in a cave. The statement was confirmed at the military camp at Ludlow.

TRINIDAD, COL., April 22.—Thirteen persons were believed to be dead but the number of wounded was unknown when day dawned on the Ludlow battlefield, where yesterday 100 militiamen and deputy sheriffs fought a battle with strikers.

Renewal of the conflict was expected momentarily. The militiamen were reinforced during the forenoon.

The Ludlow colony presented a scene of death and desolation today. Soldiers declared quantities of ammunition were exploded by the blaze that swept the colony during the night.

Yesterday's battle centered about the big trestle of the Colorado and Southeastern railroad and several dead were said to be lying along the tracks behind which the strikers took refuge.

Throughout the day and intermittently during the night the fighting raged over an area of approximately three square miles. The battlefield was completely isolated by the cutting of telegraph wires.

Fighting began early yesterday when a militia detachment under Lieutenant Linderfelt started to investigate the cause of firing near Cedar Hill. As the day progressed word of the clash reached the officials and a relief militia expedition of Ludlow was sent. They detained south of Ludlow and found the strikers barricaded in the pumping station.

At dusk the strikers retreated along a gully back of the blazing tent colony, followed by the militia, who swept the valley with machine guns.

With the arrival of reinforcements today Major Hamrock and approximately 175 men opposed to strikers variously estimated at from 400 to 800.

VOTERS FAVOR WILLIAMS FOR COMMISSIONER

To the Editor of Journal:
I see several persons mentioned in our city papers for county commissioners and I fail to see Mr. Joe Williams name mentioned and as we think over here in our township there is no better Commissioner in the county than he is, or as good as there has been for many years. We know that he has not agreed at all times with the rest of the body but we think he was right most of the time, so we are standing by him and hope to see him nominated—Many Voters, from No. 7 Township

RECIPROCITY MEETING OF CANTERBURY CLUB

Dr. Edwin R. Greenlaw of the University of North Carolina will lecture to the Literary Department of the Woman's Club Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. E. K. Bishop. His subject will be "The Influence of the Romantic Movement, upon English Literature."

WITHERSPOON TALKS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—General Witherspoon, chief of staff of the army, said today in response to inquiries from congressmen, that there would be three classes of civilians called upon to aid regulars in the Mexican operations if there should be war. The first class would be the State Militia, the second the graduates of the military school and the third class the civilians without previous military training. General Witherspoon expressed the opinion that if war should be declared the regulars would need to be supplemented by civilian drafts. The first call it is thought, would be for 60,000 men.

ULTIMATIUM!

If the entire populace of the village do not charge on the box office at 9 o'clock this morning and buy tickets to "The Iron Master," a fire of unrestrained condemnation will be turned loose by the Library Association and the citizens made to evacuate from their stronghold of close-fistedness.