

# THREE U. S. MARINES SLAIN IN THE CITY OF VERA CRUZ

## Twenty Five Are Wounded By Mexicans

### Charge O'Shaughnessy Given His Passports and Left Mexico Last Night. Wilson Sobs When Told Of Death Of Americans. Situation Is Serious

(Special to the Journal.)  
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Three Americans were killed and twenty-five were wounded today at Vera Cruz say dispatches received from Admiral Fletcher. Admiral Fletcher also reports that the Mexican troops are in force along the line of the Mexican National Railway but he feels confident that he can hold Vera Cruz with fifty-four hundred men who are now on shore.

Secretary Garrison announced tonight in order to relieve apprehension along the border, that he has ordered additional troops to report to General Bliss for distribution. Three regiments of infantry from San Francisco and some artillery from Fort Riley have also been ordered to report.

A brigade of infantry has been dispatched from Galveston to Vera Cruz to co-operate with the navy. General Funston will be in charge of the brigade, which consists of three regiments.

### Wilson answers Gen. Carranza

WASHINGTON, April 23.—President Wilson replied to Carranza's note saying: "I wish to reiterate with great earnestness the desire and intention of this government to respect every possible way the sovereignty and independence of the people of Mexico. The feeling and intention of this government in this matter is not based on policy. Go deeper than that. They are based upon genuine friendship for the Mexican people and profound interest in the reestablishment of their constitutional system. Whatever unhappy circumstances or necessities arise this object will be held steadily in view and pursued with a consistent purpose so far as this government is concerned. But we are dealing with facts. Whoever and whenever the dignity of the United States is flouted, its international rights or the rights of its citizens are invaded or its influence rebuffed where it has the right to attempt to exercise it, this government must deal with those actually in control. It is now dealing with Huerta within the territory he controls. That he does not rightfully control, it does not alter the fact that he does control it. We are dealing moreover only with those whom he commands and with those who come to his support. With these we must deal. They do not lawfully represent the people of Mexico. In that fact we rejoice because of our quarrel is not with the Mexican people and we do not desire to dictate their affairs. But we must enforce our rightful

demand upon those whom the existing authorities at the place where we act, do for the time being represent."

WASHINGTON, April 23.—2:40 p. m.—Algara requested Secretary Bryan to give him his passports. The secretary a short time later announced that these would be turned over to him at once and he would be allowed to leave Washington as soon as he saw fit. The House plans to make a forty-two million dollar naval appropriation bill immediately available. Senator Shively announced that Carranza's note to President Wilson would not in the least change America's policy. The Senate is now at work on the bill appropriating half a million dollars to get Americans out of Mexico.

Refuges on Way to Galveston. A message received from Galveston says that two thousand refugees from Vera Cruz, Tampico and Tuxupan are enroute to that city. The situation today, according to naval officials, is more delicate than it was yesterday. General Wood is expected to leave for the border within twenty-four hours.

### General Villa Is in Juarez

WASHINGTON, 3 p. m.—Senator Fall announced in the Senate this afternoon that he had received a message stating that General Villa was in Juarez with five thousand troops ready for a dash across the international bridge for the purpose of taking El Paso. A report coming in from Mexico a short time later stated that Huerta had confiscated munitions of war in the American Embassy. Army officers in San Antonio report that the arms embargo has been re-established. This report is denied in Washington.

### Secretary Daniels Issues order

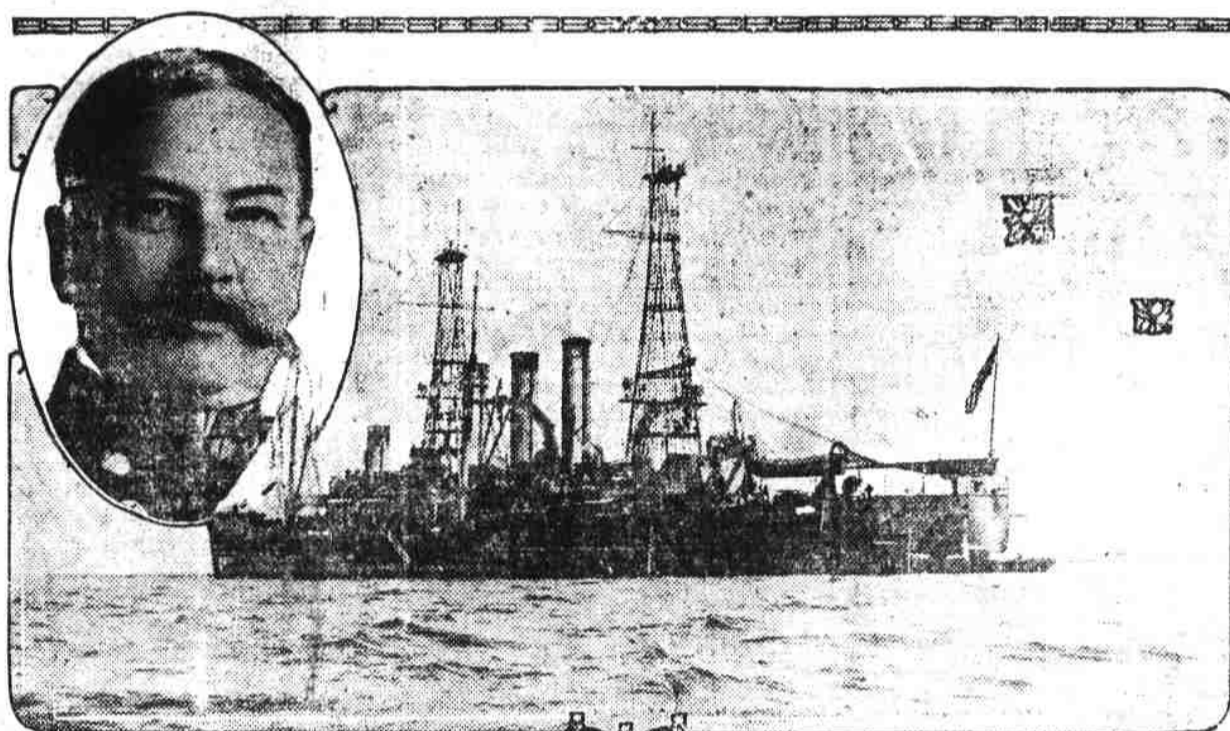
WASHINGTON, 4:05.—Secretary Daniels this afternoon ordered Admiral Badger to seize two long bridges on the railroad to Mexico City. With these bridges in the hands of the Americans, communication with the front cannot be cut off. Secretaries Bryan and Daniels had a close consultation with President Wilson in regard to Carranza's note. Officials say that it is imperative to embargo arms to Constitutionalists but Secretary Bryan denies that an embargo has been called.

### Wilson sobs over death

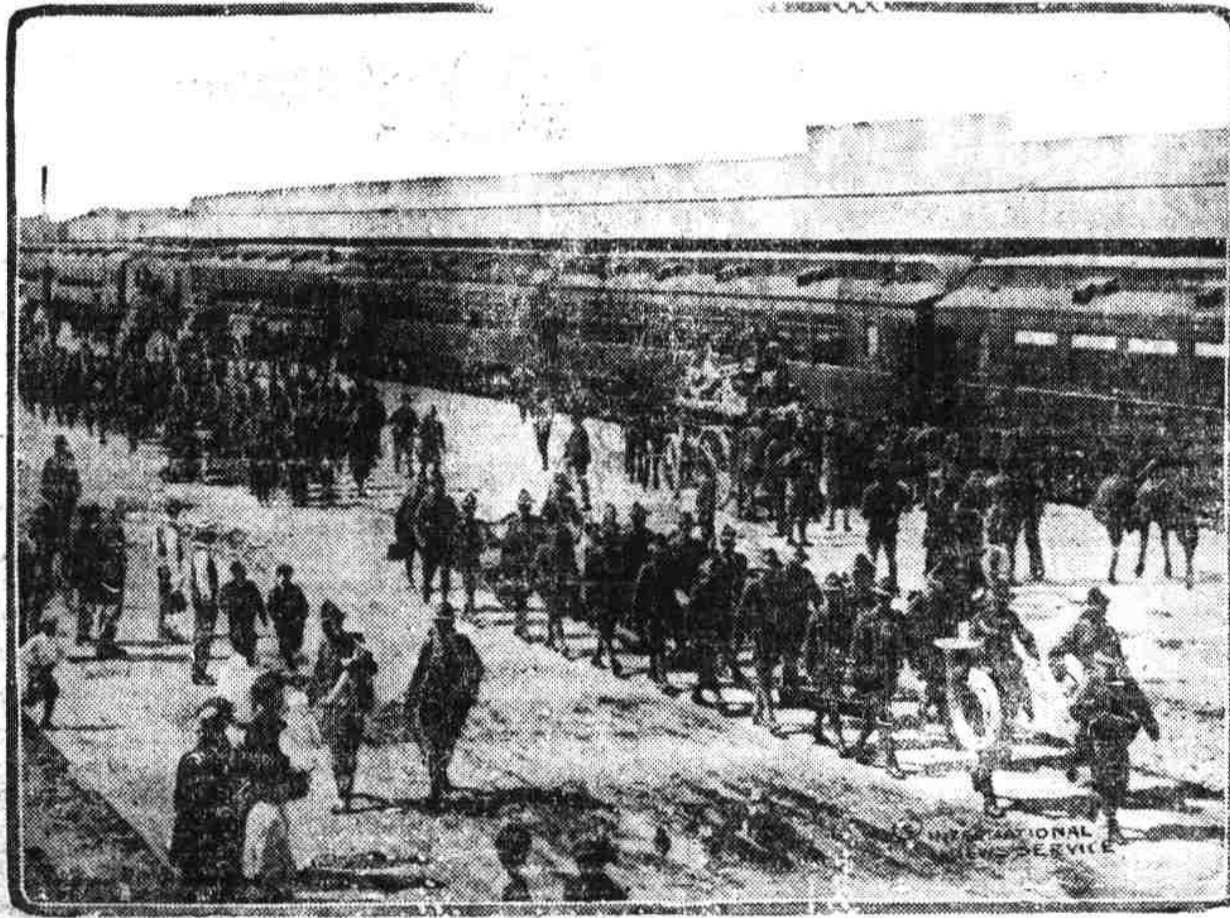
When told of the death of six marines President Wilson sobbed "Too bad." The President is worn by worry but will not take any rest. Continued to page 7

### "ON THE FIRING LINE"

In the first picture is seen Rear Admiral Badger and his flagship, now at Vera Cruz. The second view shows American troops located at Laredo Texas, and who are patrolling the Mexican borders and giving aid to the Americans who are leaving Mexico. The small picture at the bottom is that of Charge O'Shaughnessy who was thought to have been killed but who was yesterday heard from.



Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, in command of the Atlanta fleet, ordered to Tampico to enforce the president's demand of a salute to the flag by Huerta forces there. The battleship Arkansas is the admiral's flagship.



### ALLEGED BLOCKADER IS NOW IN COUNTY JAIL

#### LEON LAUGHINGHOUSE ARRESTED AT VANCEBORO—STILL DESTROYED

Leon Laughinghouse, white, and whose home is about four miles from Vanceboro, was placed under arrest yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff J. W. Huff, Deputy Sheriff Judson Bayliss, Deputy Marshal Ange and Deputy Collector L. M. Tull of Kingston, on a warrant charging him with illicit distilling. The officers left New Bern in an automobile yesterday morning and went to the Laughinghouse home, where a search for the still was begun. After a search of several hours they located a hundred gallon plant about a mile from the home of Laughinghouse and this was destroyed.

### DANCE AT ARMORY HALL TONIGHT

Tonight in the Naval Reserve's armory the Imperial Orchestra will give their last dance before taking up their work for the Summer months at Ghent Park. The public is invited to attend.

### PLACING NEW CARPET IN COURT HOUSE

The court room at Craven county's handsome new Court House is being improved by the addition of a new carpet. This carpet is made of a composition of cork and is absolutely soundless.

Miss Helen Farnell, of Bayboro spent a few hours in the city yesterday.

Laughinghouse was brought to this city last night and placed in the Craven county jail.

### DETECTIVE BURN MAKES REPORT IN FRANK CASE

Says That The Negro Conley, Is Guilty Man.

HEARING THIS MORNING

Complete Report Was First Issued Yesterday Afternoon.

ATLANTA, April 23.—Today's developments in the Frank case were:

A preliminary report to Frank's lawyers by Detective W. J. Burns, who branded the negro, Jim Conley, as the murderer of Mary Plagan and declared Leo Frank had no part in it.

The raising of the reward offer from \$1,000 to \$5,000 by Burns to any person or persons who would furnish him evidence of Frank's moral degeneracy.

Judge Hill's continuance until Friday, May 1, of the hearing on the motion to set aside the verdict in the Frank trial, on the plea of Solicitor Dorsey that he was not prepared to begin arguments on this motion.

Postponement until Thursday of the hearing on the extraordinary motion for a new trial, because of the death and funeral of the mother of Herbert J. Haas, one of the counsel for Frank.

Announcement by Solicitor Dorsey that he would proceed with perjury cases against recanting witnesses as soon as the motions of the defense are disposed of.

With the hearing on both the extraordinary motion and the constitutional grounds for a new trial for Leo Frank postponed by Judge Ben Hill Wednesday marked one important development in the case when William J. Harris announced his belief that Frank is innocent and Jim Conley is guilty.

Solicitor Dorsey announced that he was not ready to go ahead on the motion to set aside the verdict, as he had been devoting all his time to the extraordinary motion for a new trial. Judge Hill thereupon postponed the hearing on the first motion until a week from Friday, May 1.

The hearing on the extraordinary motion was postponed until Thursday morning because of the death and funeral of the mother of Herbert Haas, one of the counsel for Frank.

### Court Sits In Capitol

Judge Hill was compelled to move his court to the library of the Capitol building, because all other courtroom were occupied. Solicitor Dorsey expressed his desire to take up the extraordinary motion at once, as he had devoted all his time to that and had hardly read over the motion to set aside the verdict.

John L. Tye, of the firm of Tye, Peeples & Jordan, announced that he was ready to go ahead with argument at once, but on the plea of Solicitor Dorsey the hearing was continued.

Attorney Rosser called the attention of Judge Hill to the absence of Herbert Haas, of counsel for the defense, and said that Mr. Haas had borne much of the burden of the preparation of the extraordinary motion but was kept away from the hearing because of the funeral of his mother who had died the day before. He suggested the property of postponing the hearing on this account, and this the judge readily assented, having obtained the agreement of the Solicitor.

Dorsey asked for an order opening the new evidence of the defense, but Attorney Arnold announced that the defense would agree to this without the formality of an order.

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