

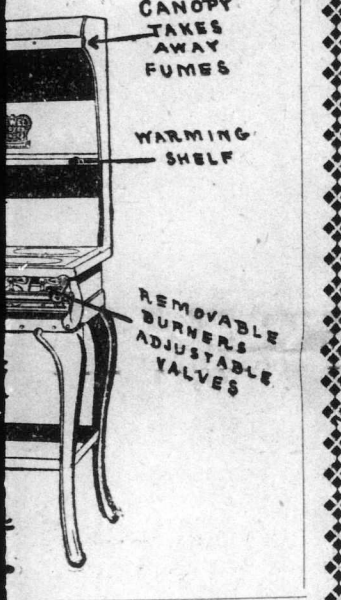
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WATER IS WORST ENEMY OF THE ARMY

of Surgeon of the United States Army Makes a Statement.

By Special Wire to The Courier NEW YORK, April 24.—Bad water has been the army's worst foe in Mexico...

Montreal woman was sentenced to prison in New York city, she pleaded guilty of a charge of petty larceny.

MUCH HARD SUFFERING IS CAUSED BY MEXICAN FIASCO

NAVY LOST MORE IN TAKING VERA CRUZ THAN IN ENTIRE SPANISH WAR

Seventeen Dead From Sharpshooters--Ray of Hope That Villa Will Remain Neutral While Huerta is Being Dealt With.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—With the complete restoration of order in Vera Cruz, the safe exodus of Charge O'Shaughnessy and his staff from Mexico city, and a transport carrying reinforcements of troops, pleading swiftly through southern seas, President Wilson and his advisers to-day were on the alert for a counter move by Huerta, and awaiting the development of any positive attitude by Carranza, the constitutionalist chief. The sporadic outbreak in Nuevo Laredo where evacuating Federals fired across the Rio Grande and drew a pelting of bullets from the American border patrol and the reported arrest of several Americans by Huertistas authorities at Orizaba scarcely served to alter an already absorbing situation. Officials to-day awaited news of the reception by Carranza of a telegram sent by constitutionalist representatives in Washington advising him to remain neutral, and declaring the United States intended to withdraw its forces from Vera Cruz as soon as reparation for Huerta's offences had been obtained. A ray of hope that the constitutionalists would remain neutral was contained in the reported utterances of Villa, the military chief under Carranza. Despite that, however, officials declined to rest assured, and the strengthening of the border patrol continued to-day. Representative Kent of California took to the White House to-day a telegram from a friend in El Paso, whom he described as well informed, stating that in his opinion the constitutionalists would remain quiet if "properly treated." Huerta in the anti-American atmosphere of Mexico City that was marked last night by desecration of a statue of George Washington might make a definite move to-day, it was thought. Since he had given the Am-

erican charge his passports, a positive declaration of war would not be surprising to officials here. His next move, it was believed, would develop whether it would be necessary for the American forces now in complete possession of Vera Cruz to proceed further—perhaps to Huerta's capital. While officials of the war and navy departments worked under stress in preparation for any eventualities, Col. Goethals in Panama had ordered the canal zone placed on a specific war footing and Texas troops were ordered towards the border to help Federal troops patrol districts where there was any danger of outbreaks or raiding by marauders from south of Rio Grande. Congress had its share in the crisis by enacting the army volunteer army bill which the president was expected to sign to-day. It provides means for raising a volunteer army in emergencies. Meanwhile Rear Admiral Badger with his marines and blue jackets were restoring order in shell scarred Vera Cruz. The sinister cost of the first move in the war drama was shown by official figures that seventeen Americans perished and 77 were wounded in the seizure of the Mexican port. That was more than the casualties of naval engagements of the entire Spanish-American war when sixteen Americans were killed and 68 wounded. Official messages early to-day reported that the wounded on the hospital ship in Vera Cruz harbor were satisfactorily responding to treatment. Inquiries over the disposition of the bodies of the marines and blue jackets who perished in the seizure of Vera Cruz reached the war department to-day. Representatives Moore and Vane of Pennsylvania were informed that the victims of the house top snipers would be returned to their home towns by the government on northbound ships.

A. W. DONLY SENDS WORD OF SAFETY IN MEXICO CITY

Brother in Simcoe Told Not to Worry--Others From Ontario in Mex.

By Special Wire to The Courier SIMCOE, April 25.—H. B. Donly, of the Simcoe Reflector, last evening received a cable from his brother A. W. Donly, now in Mexico City as follows: "All well; don't worry." A. W. Donly was until recently Canadian Commissioner in Mexico, and is the oldest foreign official there having resided in the capital for over 25 years. In recent letters, he intimated that the intended coming home soon, but so far no word has been received as to when he will leave. Among other residents of this district now in Mexico are A. D. Dobson and his wife, formerly Miss Harris, of Courtland. Mr. Dobson is manager of the American Book Company, one of the largest publishing houses in Mexico City. Mr. Battersby, formerly of Port Dover, is also in Mexico. From letters received in the past few weeks, it is indicated that American intervention would be most welcome as the quickest and surest way of ending the troubles which have been rending the country. Mount Vesuvius and Elms are reported to be very active and great fear is evinced by the inhabitants.

CHANGES ARE PROPOSED IN WATER SERVICE

Terrace Hill to Get Satisfactory Supply--Better Fire Protection.

At the meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners last evening it was decided to extend the time for the receiving of tenders for the supply of new pumps until May 15. Important changes are being considered by the board for the improvement of the service, especially in regard to Terrace Hill. The proposition has been put forward to install an electric booster pump at the base of Terrace Hill. This would guarantee a good supply at all times to Terrace Hill consumers, and would also effect a saving at the main plant in the Holmedale. For similar reasons the recommendation has been made that the city purchase a proper fire engine. At present, whenever a big fire occurs the pressure at the waterworks plant is put at top notch, and it does a lot of damage to private plumbing connections all over the city. A fire engine would also effect a big saving in the expense of providing extra capacity at the main plant. The company at the main plant, are favorably impressed with the recommendation, which, if carried out, would ensure a satisfactory service, which would meet with the approval of the Underwriters' Association.

Rebels Are Attacking Tampico

By Special Wire to The Courier WASHINGTON, April 25.—Constitutionalists have renewed their attack upon the Mexican Federal garrison at Tampico. This was reported to the Navy department early to-day by Rear Admiral Mayo at Tampico, through Rear Admiral Fletcher at Vera Cruz. The department issued the following statement this morning: "In a despatch from Vera Cruz, dated April 25, Admiral Badger reports the following from Admiral Mayo at Tampico: "The Paterson and Paulding have arrived at Tuxpan. The Esperanza sailed for Galveston with 140 Vera Cruz refugees and 220 Tampico refugees. The Dixie sailed for Galveston with 575 refugees. The total number of refugees, including other ships not mentioned, sent to Galveston is 1,954. So far as is known, all Americans are out of the district around Tampico. The constitutionalist attack on Tampico is in progress to-day. Gunboats are firing."

NOW RUINS WHERE FINE CITY STOOD

Nuevo Laredo Was Sacked and Burned by Mexicans.

Sharp Interchange With Americans Across the River.

By Special Wire to The Courier LAREDO, Texas, April 25.—Smouldering ruins in what was once the populous Mexican border town, Nuevo Laredo, and hundreds of destitute refugees huddled in every possible shelter here, were visible reminders to-day of the desolation wrought last evening by Mexican Federals, who burned and dynamited their once strong hold. Excitement occasioned when the Mexicans began firing across the international line at their sharp interchanges with the United States border patrol subsided quickly when the Federals retreated but left a strong feeling of uneasiness in its wake. All night a reinforced patrol aided by citizen volunteers, guarded the river front, and heavy guards were maintained at the two international bridges. It was feared other attempts to dynamite the means of communication between the two countries would be made. Two Mexicans were shot yesterday in attempting to destroy the bridges. Some of the more nervous citizens fear another visit of the federals to attack Laredo itself, but army officials, though every precaution is being taken, believe there is no danger. There was no further trouble during the night. It was definitely ascertained to-day that the wild shooting of the Mexicans have done no damage on American, on the Mexican side however, destruction was complete. Fires were still burning throughout the city to-day, as there is no fire fighting apparatus available. Among the larger buildings ruined is the American consulate which was first dynamited; the post office, the municipal building, the Concordia Theatre, the Mexican National Railroad shops, which in times of peace employed several hundred Americans and the flour mill. So far as known, no lives were lost in the fire. Miss May Davies was awarded \$7,000 for breach of promise in her suit against George Wettlauffer, at Toronto. A witness, Constable McMullen, was arrested charged with perjury.

OLD FRIENDS ARE COMING BACK HOME

List of Those Invited Back to Brantford Next August.

That the Old Home week invitation committee, has been doing strenuous work is evidenced by the following invitations which have been issued. Brantfordites who have friends abroad should make sure that an invitation reaches them, and Secretary Beam will be glad to issue the invitation on the receipt of addresses. The following is the list to date: Astin, F. P., Oakland, Cal.; Allan, J. R., Medicine Hat, Alta.; Atkins, W., Norwich, Ont.; Alford, T., Mitchell, Ont.; Andrews, C. C., Saskatoon, Sask.; Allen, J., Calgary, Alta.; Allen, J. J., Calgary, Alta.; Atkinson, W., Detroit, Mich.; Aitchison, W., Battleford, Sask.; Adams, R., Hamilton, Ont.; Adams, Hamilton, Ont.; Adams, Chas., Hamilton, Ont.; Avey, A. J., Los Angeles, Cal.; Annis, E. J., Beamsville, Ont.; Armstrong, J. B., Great Falls, P. O., Montana; Armstrong, E. R., Chicago, Ill.; Armstrong, C. K., Olean, N. Y.; Armstrong, B., Beaumont, Texas; Armstrong, E. D., Smithville, Ont.; Armstrong, H. J., Science Hill, P. O., Ont.; Armstrong, Max., Hanover, P. O., Ont.; Armstrong, Moore, Renfrew, P. O., Ont.; Armstrong, J., Edmonton, Alta.; Anderson, H. D., Empress, Alta.; Armitage, A., Toronto, Ont.; Andrews, L., Buffalo, N. P.; Andrews, W., Kingston, Ont.; Bloodsworth, J., Port Rowan, Ont.; Bloodworth, J., Woodstock, Ont.; Burgess, Jas., Detroit, Mich.; Byrnes, H., Flint, Mich.; Byrnes Chas., Flint, Mich.; G. Schenckel, N.Y.; Boughner, T. P., Lafayette, Ind.; Bolton, Geo., Beamsville, Ont.; Brown, J. A., Westfield, Mass.; Buchanan, R., Winnipeg, Man.; Barnett, A., Science Hill, P. O., Ont.; Berrington, E. S., St. Louis, Burk Martin, Toronto, Ont.; Baron, E. W., Bounty, Sask.; Barwell, Geo., Conquest, Bown, J. R., Buffalo, N.Y.; Binkley, T., Hamilton, Ont.; Broomfield, R., Los Angeles, Cal.; Buchanan, J. R., Pittsburg, Pa.; Buckborough, C., Alaska, Sask.; Barrett, L., Vacaville, Cal.; Brown, G. P., Fruitland, Ont.; Barron, R., Curries Crossing, Ont.; Bloomfield, G., Vancouver, B. C.; Buchanan, E. A., Hamilton, Ont.; Bauslaugh, J., Woodstock, Ont.; Brill, W. P., Guelph, Ont.; Bradshaw, G., Toronto; Bernhardt, A., Orillia, Ont.; Bull, E., Walkerville, Ont.; Banks, W. L., Hamilton, Ont.; Douglas, W., Peachland, B. C.; Donnelly, G., Battle Creek, Mich.; Doyle, E. M., Calgary, Alta.; Deverts, C. A., Pittsburg, Pa.; Davis, C. J., Dawson, Pa.; Palestine, Ohio; Davidson, J., Paris, Ont.; Doan, W. F., Jersey City, N.J.; Dillon, C. E., Toronto, Ont.; Dowsley, D. J., Toronto; Danby, O. M., Hamilton; Dale, R. A., Toronto; Dunn, James, Pittsburg, Pa.; Durham, J., Galt; Durham, E., Detroit; Angiel, C. D., Piferlaw, Ont.; Deiver, W. A., Winnipeg; Douglall, W., Fort Erie, Ont.; Dunn, J., Ingersoll; Dawson, Geo. W., Wolston, Ont.; Dawson, A., Detroit; Dunn, J., Sandish, Mich.; Diber, Wm., Toronto; Dwyer, J. J., Winnipeg; Devlin, E., and Devlin, H., Berlin, Berlin, Germany; Dales, J. S., Indianapolis, Ind.; Hardy, W. L., Vancouver, B.C.; Hartley, C. G., Berlin, Germany; Hartley, Ralph, Dresden, Germany; Heimer, J., Washington, D.C.; Healy, G. L., Washington, D.C.; Henderson, J., Souris, Man.; Hunt, V., Ninging, Man.; Hill, J. H., Chicago, Ill.; Holmes, J., Beresford, Man.; Hall, J. M., Hamilton, Ont.; Haslem, W., St. Thomas, Ont.; Hastings, J., Paris, Ont.; Harrison, W. S., Toronto, Ont.; Hubbard, J. R., Middleport, N.Y.; Hammond, S., Leamington, Ont.; Holmes, T. E., Hamilton, Ont.; Hobbs, C. E., Sarnia, Ont.; Hobson, W., Cosmopol, Wash.; Hammings, V., Aldershot, P. O., Ont.; Hamilton, H. H., west New York; Hamilton, N., Edmonton, Alta.; Humberch, H., Rochester, N.Y.; Hart, M., Medina, N. Y.; Howarth, J. H., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Hamilton, W., Edmonton, Alta.; Hunt, A., Munnhall, Penn.; Hamilton, J. D., Portage La Prairie; Hartman, J. A., New Hamburg, Ont.; Huber, C. O., Lawson, Sask.; Harrington, W., Schenckelady, N.Y.; Hubert, F. D., Hamilton, Ont.; Harley, J. C., Detroit, Mich.; (To be Continued).

Smuggle Ammunition Into Ulster

By Special Wire to The Courier BELFAST, Ireland, April 25.—A consignment of about 40,000 rifles and half a million rounds of ammunition from Germany was landed at isolated points on the coast of Ulster during last night and distributed by means of 200 automobiles to the various headquarters of the Ulster volunteers. The Ulstermen, who declare themselves determined to offer a stern armed resistance to the introduction of Home Rule, were mobilized early last night and guarded the landing places and the roads until the distribution of the arms had been completed. THEY WANT THE OIL PARIS, April 25.—In a newspaper article Senator Auguste Jervais to-day treats the Mexican situation from an economic standpoint. He thinks that the real object of the United States is to assure itself of a political and economic protectorate over Mexico by putting in Columbia, Ecuador and Venezuela.

AMERICANS DESTITUTE IN FLIGHT

After Four Years of Revolution They Are All Penniless.

Touching Incident In Regard to Closing of Mills.

By Special Wire to The Courier EL PASO, Texas, April 25.—With the arrival here to-day of 97 American men, women and children, refugees from Madero, and 12 picked up by the train at Chihuahua, Americans who have been leaving the country since the Tampico incident, are now practically all out of the state of Chihuahua. The remnant in the city of Chihuahua with the exception of a few who are determined to remain to the last will leave to-morrow on the regular train. At Naco, Douglas and Nogales on the Arizona-Mexican border, they are arriving by the hundreds every day, and the state of Sonora, save in isolated ranches and camps, not yet reached by warnings, is now practically denuded of them. After four years of revolution, practically every American in northern Mexico is now a refugee, and property worth many millions of dollars in mines, ranches, factories and other industries has been left behind. Many of these industries have remained operative partially at least through every difficulty and discouragement of robbery, taxation, uncertain communications and even personal danger of employees, but almost the last one of those Americans who built and maintained them has been driven out by the developments of the affair at Tampico. W. W. Grubb of Madero, where the great saw mills are, has persistently, but inconstantly, continued to do business, said: "The closing of the mills meant much to us," he said, "but I guess it means more to the thousands of Mexicans employed. There was a big crowd of them at the station when we went away, and some fairly begged us to stay. I don't know what will become of them now that their employment is gone. It was a sad scene, and I didn't have an enemy in the crowd. In fact through the whole trip we encountered nothing but courtesy, and not a sign of enmity." The contract for Section 4A of the new Welland Canal, to connect with the old canal, has been let to Maguire and Cameron for slightly less than \$84,000. (Continued on Page 4)

ALL SIGNS POINT TO EXTENSIVE WAR TODAY PREPARATIONS MADE

Presbyterian Missionaries Said to be in Danger in Mexico-Carranza Protests Against American Invasion--Latest News of the Situation.

By Special Wire to The Courier NEW YORK, April 25.—Anxiety was expressed to-day at the headquarters of Presbyterian board of foreign missions over the safety of several of its missionaries in Mexico. Word was received yesterday that five missionaries had arrived at Vera Cruz from Mexico City with the other Americans aboard the British refugee train. The board sent a cable message to Mexico City inquiring as to the safety of the Rev. H. S. Phillips, who has been working at Zitacuaro. Other missionaries not heard from include Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Wallace, the Rev. N. J. Elliott, of Long Beach, Cal., and the Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Malloy of Corsicana, Texas. Eligible for Service NEW YORK, April 25.—Officers in charge of army recruiting stations here called the attention of former soldiers to the Army reserve act of 1912 under which they are eligible for active service if called upon by the president. "This act provides that men honorably discharged with a rating of "good" can enlist in the reserves if not over 45 years old and physically capable. There is a great army of these former soldiers who can join the regular army and serve while needed and not for a stated term. They cannot enlist with the rank they held when discharged, but as privates. Retired men are not barred from the reserves. Getting Wireless Ready. NEW YORK, April 25.—A powerful wireless outfit, said to be the largest ever constructed for use of an army in the field, is packed and ready for shipment at Bedloe's Island. Orders are expected from Washington to forward the outfit to Vera Cruz. The set was constructed by signal corps men and was originally intended for use in Alaska. It has a steel mast two hundred feet high and five feet in diameter at the base. Its estimated radius is 2,500 to 3,000 miles and if set up at Vera Cruz it will be able to hold communication with the great aerial station at Arlington, Va. Rebels May Take Tampico. JUAREZ, April 25.—An official report from Constitutional sources predicts the early fall of Tampico to the rebel hands. The report declares that the Rebel Commander General Caballero called on the Federal general to surrender or leave the city and fight it out in the open. The latter declined both proposals and the report said a furious attack characterized by sanguinary street fighting began and continued all day. War Officials Confer. WASHINGTON, April 25.—A lengthy conference in the early morning hours to-day between Secretary of War Garrison, chief of Staff General Wotherpoon, Major-General Wood and other officers, was the culmination of a night of bustling activity at the war department. Strict secrecy was maintained as to the conference, but conditions on the Texas border and the movement of the troops to Vera Cruz were said to have been considered. Snipers Still Busy. VERA CRUZ, April 25.—Conditions here continue to improve, although during the night there was some sniping operations by sharpshooters even in front of the Hotel Diligencia, the outdoor tables of which were filled with dines. The shootings were not of enough consequence to attract the attention of navy headquarters on shore. Carranza Protests. LONDON, April 25.—A cablegram from Venustiano Carranza dated Chihuahua saying he protests most energetically against the American invasion of Mexico has been received by a local Spanish press association in Madrid according to Exchange Telegraph Company's despatch. Carranza's message added the Mexican people would unite to fight against the invaders to the last breath, and that of the 17,000 Spaniards in Mexico many were ready to fight by the side of the Mexicans.

SENTENCE WAS SUSPENDED ON YOUNG MAN

False Pretence Case Was Heard in Police Court This Morning

"In future I will impose a severe fine upon all men who jump their bail bonds," said Magistrate Livingstone this morning when a drunk was brought before him who had been found on the 18th of April drunk and bailed. He did not appear and was arrested yesterday. He said he did not remember anything of the matter but the magistrate reminded him that he was sober when he was bailed and the excuse did not work. A sad story of the downfall of a medico lay beneath the charge of false pretences against Fred Kitchen and Wm. King. Together they had on Thursday tried to raise enough to get a few drinks. Kitchen has had an account with the Bank of Hamilton and he made out a cheque drawn upon that bank and asked King to get him \$50 dollars upon it. King endeavored to do so and meeting Wm. Burns got him to give him eight dollars on the cheque. Upon this both Kitchen and King proceeded to enjoy themselves. Burns then tried to cash the cheque but found that it was no good and then he (Continued on Page 4)

KRAFCHENKO KNOWS WHERE LOOT IS STORED

Condemed Murderer Asks That Wife Receive an Allowance.

By Special Wire to The Courier WINNIPEG, Man., April 25.—Jack Krafchenko, from the cell where he is awaiting execution for murder, sent word by the chief turnkey to the management of Berks jewelry store that if he would make an allowance to his wife, he would reveal the whereabouts of several watches and valued at \$700, stolen from that store last November. Krafchenko denies he personally stole the watches, but says he knows the thieves and the hiding place of the articles. Firemen Received Call Last evening about 6.30 the firemen received a call from "Gaywood" the home of Col. M. F. Muir for a grass fire, that was endangering his building. Chief Lewis dispatched three men with chemicals, shovels, brooms, etc., to the scene of the blaze, but on their arrival the fire had been extinguished by some neighbors who formed a bucket brigade. No damage was done.