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FIGHTING IN MEXICO CITY ABRUPTLY ENDS ARMISTICE WORK OF CENSORS BEGINS

Bulletins Tell of Savage Encounter Raging After Futile Attempts to Call Truce in Interests of Foreign Residents—Both Diaz and Madero Show Unwillingness to Curb Hostilities.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 16.—(Can. Press.)—The strictest censorship on all despatches has been established at Mexico City. Government officials took charge of the cable office shortly after 5 o'clock Saturday evening and ruthlessly discarded the messages of correspondents to their papers.

Code messages and all messages containing any expressions whatever that might be construed into a suggestion of the important happenings in the capital came under the ban and were promptly confiscated by the censor and his assistants.

Nevertheless, several despatches of a somewhat detached nature escaped the vigilance of the censorship, and an early bulletin was flashed thru that the armistice, signed at 2o'clock Sunday morning, had been broken and that both sides were fighting savagely.

The Mexican Government was unable, however, to shut off the official despatches of the diplomatic representatives, but as these are sent in cipher, considerable delay is being experienced because of the time used in translation and the fear is expressed that many things may occur in the Mexican capital detrimental to the foreign residents before the exact situation is learned by the home governments.

Censorship is Strict.

Brief despatches giving a general idea of the situation prior to the fresh outbreak of hostilities were received by the censors and allowed to pass along to their respective destinations, but the government apparently is determined that not a word of the fighting which has torn the city asunder for eight days past shall be communicated to the outside world, if that can be prevented.

The government has not only shut the world off from Mexico City, but so far as the public are concerned, has shut Mexico City off from the world, including the whole of the Mexican republic. News despatches sent Saturday night from the United States to Mexico City were either refused or held up, the intention evidently being that the residents within the capital shall not be informed of the measures which have been undertaken by the American and other governments to protect their interests.

While Madero has been reiterating his declaration that conditions in Mexico outside of the capital are satisfactory, advices from various centres indicate that there have been important movements in favor of Gen Diaz.

Official advices received from Ambassador Wilson tell of the narrow escape of the British minister, Francis W. Stronge, from federal bullets, while on his way to a conference at the American embassy on Saturday. The automobile in which Mr. Stronge was riding, escorted by a federal guard, was struck in several places. This gives some slight indication of the difficulties and dangers encountered by the diplomatic representatives in their endeavor to bring about a peace settlement.

Further advices from the ambassador say that the majority of the American residents have found places of

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MADERO INSISTS ON FIGHTING TO FINISH

President Defies Senate to Oust Him, While Artillery Duel Rages and Crowd Surrounds Building—Friends, Who Fully Expected Resignation, Are Staggered.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 15.—(Can. Press.)—While the federal guns pounded the Diaz fortifications in the arsenal and the rebels sent back shell for shell, the senate sat today and discussed the ousting of Madero from the presidency. Confident of ultimately defeating Diaz, Madero defied the senate and ignored the counsel of Francisco de La Barra and other friends. He absolutely refused to resign, but did not take the trouble to make known this decision personally to the senate.

The fighting in the streets of the Mexican capital at times today was as savage as on any other day of the week's battle. The American embassy again came directly within the line of fire, and the American ambassador, Henry Lane Wilson, had a narrow escape from a rifle bullet which whistled close to his head within the embassy. Shortly before 5 o'clock the German legation was struck by a shell.

There were numerous casualties among non-combatants. A strange fatality seems to have followed R. M. Meredith of Troy, Ohio. He was slightly wounded two days ago while passing thru the streets. Today a shell crashed into Porter's Hotel and killed him. Sidney Sutherland, correspondent of a Salt Lake City newspaper, but a resident of Mexico City, was wounded by the same shell.

Death Before Resignation.

The situation in Mexico City apart from its terifying aspect is a remarkable one. Friends of President Madero fully expected his resignation, but as the day wore on, he became fixed in his determination to retain the reins of power. To the Spanish minister, President Madero is reported to have said that he would die before he would resign his office.

During the night messengers went about the city locating senators and asking them to attend a special session in order to discuss the situation and attempt a solution of a situation that is recognized by almost all Mexicans as critical.

More than a quorum of senators was present at the meeting, which took place in the chamber of deputies instead of in the senate chamber at the National Palace. The discussion lasted a long time and a great crowd surrounded the building.

The scene was almost identical with that when congress met to consider the advisability of bringing about the resignation of Porfirio Diaz. In one material respect it differed. There were no mounted police or soldiers drawn across the streets and it was only after a considerable time that a detachment of rurales, spared from the fighting

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Six Horses Smothered

Six horses valued at $400, were smothered when fire destroyed a stable at the rear of 123 Jarvis street last night. The premises were owned by John Honan, and rented by Harry Pearson, 415 Woodbine avenue.

The loss, including horses, harness and building, will not exceed $450, but there is no insurance.

NO INTERVENTION POLICY OF TAFT

Unless Situation Grows Worse in Mexico, "Hands Off" Decision Will Hold Good.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—(Can. Press.)—"Hands off" Mexico for the present was the decision of President Taft and his cabinet, reached at a prolonged session, which lasted until the early hours this morning.

Mr. Taft and seven of his advisers gathered in the White House, after reviewing the situation from every angle, and particularly the proposal of an armistice in Mexico City during which non-combatants are to be removed with the creation of a neutral zone for the American embassy, determined to reaffirm the non-intervention attitude of the United States, but meanwhile keeping the army and navy ready for instant action.

The reply to President Madero's request that intervention be delayed, as finally framed, was in diplomatic terms a reaffirmation of the attitude of the United States as expressed to Mexico in previous correspondence, indicating a disposition not to interfere in Mexican affairs, but reasserting a determination to keep United States forces in positions where they might speedily be used for protection of American citizens.

The cabinet meeting broke up just after 12.30 a.m. Secretary Knox announced that Secretary Hilles would prepare and make public the only statement to be given out. Other members of the cabinet referred all enquirers to Mr. Hilles. His statement was as follows:

"At a meeting of the cabinet tonight various despatches from Mexico was considered, and it was decided that the information so far gained afforded no basis for a change in the policy of the government of the United States already indicated many times in the last two years."

GARMENT WORKERS WILL NOT STRIKE

Toronto clothing manufacturers will again breathe freely. The threatened general strike caused by the walking out of 40 workers in the Randall & Johnston factory last Monday, has been declared off. Satisfactory arrangements were made Saturday night at a special meeting between representatives of the United Garment Workers and Randall & Johnston, Limited. The firm are recognizing the union in their shop, it is said, and other concessions are being made.

THREE PERISHED IN HOTEL FIRE AT ELK LAKE

Search of Ruins Disclosed the Fact That William Wilkinson, Caretaker, Lost Life With Edward O'Keefe and Robert Stovey, Guests—Loss $100,000.

ELK LAKE, Ont., Feb. 16.—(Special) The search among the ruins of the Matabanick Hotel for the bodies of the two men who lost their lives in the fire on Saturday morning, revealed a gruesome sight and the fact that another man went to his death when the floors of the building crashed in. He was William Wilkinson, a caretaker, who for a number of years had been prospecting in the vicinity. The other victims were Edward O'Keefe and Robert Stovey. Two other guests at the hotel, Joseph Letcher of Gowganda, and Edward McClellan of Elk Lake, were badly burned about the head, arms and legs in making their escape. McClellan's feet also were frozen and his condition is critical.

Robert Stovey had evidently been suffocated as he slept, as his body was found lying in the middle of the bed in the cellar. Edward O'Keefe, the prospector, was burned beyond recognition. All that was left of his charred remains was gathered on a fire shovel. He body was fearfully burned.

In Early Morning.

The fire started at 3 o'clock a.m. in the kitchen of the Matabanic Hotel and spread with great rapidity before it was discovered. Fanned by a high wind the flames threatened to lick up everything built of wood. The hotel was burned to the ground and the flames swept to the Hudson Bay Company's store, J. R. Booth's office building, and the other buildings.

The loss will reach $100,000, exclusive of merchandise stocks carried, which will run into much money. There was only $40,000 insurance placed in the town, and $10,000 of this was on the hotel.

Serious Setback.

The fire at Elk Lake City is a serious setback, following right on the heels of the great impetus the town and district received thru the completion and opening to traffic of the T. and N. O. Railway. The best part of the business section is wiped out.

The T. and N. O. Railway station was situated a quarter of a mile away from the scene of the conflagration, and was not touched by the flames. The principal hotel, the King George, is safe, being separated from the blaze by a street one hundred feet wide.

J. H. BURNHAM, M.P. WHACKS WHITNEY

Peterboro Member Declares Premier's Stand Means Fostering Tenement Ills.

OTTAWA, Feb. 16.—(Can. Press)—In a statement issued over his signature, J. H. Burnham, M.P. for West Peterboro, and a Conservative who recently introduced a bill in parliament to abolish titles, makes a strong attack on Sir James Whitney for his attitude towards tax reform. He says in part:

"If Sir James Whitney realized that to take the tax off buildings meant the virtual obliteration of most of the slums; if he knew that much of the two per cent. of municipal tax would go to the tenant of the tenement he might talk less of wrecking homes by tax reform. The point at which a building stops because it does not pay is the point where the poorest—and sometimes the most deserving, think of that—hover between home and no home, between life and death (or worse). In the name of the poor, in the name of the young sacrifices to Moloch, in the name of that great maw of human brutality for which the white slave trade exists, in the name of that common everyday pity which most of us share and share alike with others, I call upon Sir James Whitney as a trustee of the people to liberate the tenement.

"But he will neither do it nor allow those who pay the taxes to do it. Wonderful man! I am well aware that we are likely to receive scoffs and sneers. Tut, believe me, there are really much worse things. In the meantime, let us take our eyes off pageantry and pomp and talk plain commonsense and common truth for one Lenten half hour. Christ was crucified. Was it more to him to suffer than to the daily victims of human commercialism, to the daily victims of life's inexorable law? If we have tears t oshed, let us shed them here. The tragedy is with us here and everywhere — and God Himself can alone know the awful horror and the awful pity of it."

TURKISH BATTLESHIP DESTROYED.

SOFIA, Feb. 16.—(Can. Press.)—A Bulgarian battery and a mining detachment have completely destroyed the Turkish battleship Assar-I-Tewfik, which ran ashore Feb. 11, at Karaburun, on the Black Sea coast. The Bulgarians have also sunk a Turkish transport with all hands, off Charkeui.

THE SCOTT MEMORIAL SERVICE

U. S. RAILWAYS AND FIREMEN STILL REMAIN AT A DEADLOCK DECIDE STRIKE QUESTION TODAY

RAILWAYS SEEK TO FORCE STRIKE

So Asserts President of Firemen's Union—Men Will Not Go Out Immediately.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(Can. Press.)—"The railroads need a strike in their business to embarrass Woodrow Wilson, and for other reasons, and I am afraid they are going to get it," declared W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Firemen and Enginemen tonight.

Mr. Carter made this statement in a talk with the newspaper representatives at the close of a long conference with his associates, who, with the president of the organization, have been handling the firemen's side of the dispute with the eastern railroads over the men's demands for higher pay and revised working conditions.

Notwithstanding Mr. Carter's statement, the lack of any further proposition from the roads, and indications that issuance of a strike order already prepared by the firemen's leaders might be imminent, definite assurance was given by the head of the firemen's organization that no action would be taken tonight, or as long as the federal mediators were on the scene. This meant postponement of any definite break in the negotiations for at least 36 hours.

G. W. W. Hanger, acting U. S. labor commissioner, remained in the city to act as intermediary between the firemen's committee and the railroads' conference committee of managers.

Representatives of Both Sides Will Meet Mediators Appointed by Federal Authorities and Another Proposal to Provide Arbitration Is Expected—Long Deferred Crisis Reached.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—(Can. Press.)—The crisis in the controversy between the eastern railroads and their 34,000 firemen, which last week narrowed down to the method of arbitration to be employed to settle the differences, is expected tomorrow, when representatives of both sides have agreed to meet Judge Knapp, of the commerce court, and G. W. W. Hanger, acting commissioner of labor, the federal mediators, in a final effort to avert a strike.

"We are waiting for Judge Knapp and Mr. Hanger to announce that they are unable, under the federal laws, to secure arbitration," President W. S. Carter, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, said tonight. "This means that nothing will be done by us until tomorrow."

Mr. Hanger met with the conference committee of managers today, but declined tonight to discuss the nature of the conference. He said, that tomorrow he would join Judge Knapp, who is expected to return from Washington late tonight, for further meetings with both sides. Much significance is attached to the hurried visit of Judge Knapp to Washington, and also to the conference today, of Mr. Hanger and the railroad managers, and another proposal as to the method of arbitration is expected to be made to the firemen tomorrow.

Onus on Men's Leader.

Replying to the statement made by President Carter, Mr. Hanger said:

"When we announce that we are unable to bring both sides to terms of arbitration, then it will be up to Carter to act; we will have done all that was possible under the conditions."

In a formal statement to the public tonight, President Carter discussed the Erdman Act under the terms of which the railroad managers have refused to arbitrate, and contradicted various declarations of the railroads regarding the award of the arbitration board of seven which settled the differences of the engineers with the same lines last summer.

STOLEN GOLD IS RECOVERED

Charles Hosmer Arrested For Taking It While Employed by Wholesale Jewelry

After he had been watched for some time Charles Hosmer was arrested on Saturday by Detective Newton, charged with the theft of gold from J. J. Zock & Co., wholesale jewelers, at 67 West Adelaide street.

The firm has missed many ounces of jewelry filings during the past few months, and suspecter Hosmer Detective Newton waited for the young man, on Saturday, when he left the premises with the result that the gold was found in his pockets.

According to the police, Hosmer has been pilfering gold from the firm for a long time. The value of the metal taken will run into a large amount. Pieces of left-over gold were continually disappearing.

Hosmer is thought to have taken about $10 worth of gold each week, melted it and sold it to pawn brokers. Some of it has been recovered.

MANY SUBJECTS TO BE DEBATED

Municipal, political and patriotic subjects are to be discussed and debated at meetings held each Monday night by the Centre and South Toronto Conservative Club. The executive of the club has decided to start these sessions tonight, and continue them until April 7. It is the desire of the officers to encourage members to debate public questions in all manners, shapes and forms.

The naval situation will be taken up by Mr. J. H. Burnham this evening, Feb. 17. All members are invited to be present.

REV. G. T. B. DOHERTY COMES TO ST. LUKE'S

Rev. G. T. B. Doherty, assistant rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont., has been appointed rector of St. Luke's Church, Toronto, by the Bishop of Toronto.

The rectorship became vacant several months ago when Rev. A. G. H. Dicker resigned and accepted a call to an appointment in England.

BIG-EYED JOHN!

Jaff: Is that ye, John?
John: Yes, my dear Senator.
Jaff: Ye're o'er jockular th' morn', John.
John: I've got big eyes now and can see big.
Jaff: Fwhatna d'ye mean, John?
John: I found my eyes were gettin' smaller an' smaller. I went to Potter's an' I says: Have you Billy's perscrip? If you have, give me a pair ov his'n. Th' minit I put 'em on I could see a million people in Toronto; an' I'm feelin' fine now.
Jaff: Ye're gaen daft, John. Nane o' Billy's speks fer me. I'm no for big eyes. Wee York yins fer me. I still buy my speks frae th' pedlar man at St. Lawrence Market, an' they cost a shillin' a pair! An' aw th' ole pioneers wear them still.
John: No more Wee York speks fur me. But don't tell anyone that I'm usin' Billy's perscrip.
Jaff: Ye're gaen daft, John.
John: Go on! N. Wesley is leavin' th' ole home, Senator, an' yuh druv him out. He's gettin' big eyes, too. If Jim Whitney'd get a pair he'd see what I see now.
Jaff: An' fwhatna d'ye see, John?
John: I see Toronto with a million people, I see thousan's walkin' over Billy's viadock, I see th' lan' butchers sellin' land fur four thousan' per, an' now I can see R. J. Flemmin' shootin' his hot air into our hot airoaut—
Jaff: Call in ye'r doctor, John—

TORONTO HONORS MEMORY OF HEROES

Impressive Service Held at Massey Hall, When Bishop Sweeny and Prominent Ministers Paid Tributes to Bravery and Sacrifice of Capt. Scott and Comrades.

At Massey Hall yesterday afternoon Toronto honored the memories of Captain Robert Scott and the other members of the British Antarctic Expedition whose courage and devotion to duty have added some more names to the imperishable hero roll of the British race.

Nearly every seat on the main floor of Massey Hall was occupied. Both galleries were crowded. The members of the Army and Navy Veterans' Society, wearing proudly the medals of hard victorious campaigns, filled the orchestra rows. Many notable citizens of Toronto, the mayor and several members of the city council, prominent military men and many of the city clergy had seats on the platform. The organ's solemn music, the pale flowers of mourning, a bishop of the Church of England in his scarlet-hooded vestment, and the group of clergymen on the stage denoted an occasion of sorrow. In the gravelyattentive congregation there were few who had not before their eyes pictures of great prairie of ice with some human figures dotting it, the travelers who never came back, and of the little brown tent in the middle distance of a vast province of white, the silent tent, surrounded by empty sledges and skis stuck upright in the sandy snow, and inside some dead men.

Eloquent Tributes.

The memorial service was under the auspices of the British and Foreign Sailors' Society. Rev. Frank Day of the Northern Congregational Church, Rev. Dr. Armstrong of the Metropolitan, Rev. T. T. Shields of the Jarvis Street Baptist, Rev. John McNeill of Cooke's Church, Senior Chaplain Hall of the Sailors' Society and Bishop Sweeny took part in the divine service. Dr. Albert Ham was the organist and Mr. Frank Oldfield sang a solo, "Crossing the Bar." The service was appropriate and impressive. The beautiful hymns, "God Moves in a Mysterious Way," "Now the Laborers' Task is Over" and "A Few More Years Shall Roll," were sung, and Dr. Armstrong and Dr. McNeill repeated special prayers. Bishop Sweeny made an eloquent address. Silence, he said, was more appropriate than words on the occasion of the heroic tragedy of Captain Scott and his companions. Words could not add to the fame of the heroes or lesson the sorrow. "But we are here today," said the bishop, "to express our sympathy and to glorify the heroism and devotion to duty displayed by the explorers who had given up their lives unselfishly for the benefit of science and the fame of their race." He said that such deeds should inspire all men to do their duty. All the good and noble actions of men sprang from a sense of duty. Bishop Sweeny, looking backward, spoke of the many brave men who had perished in attempting to reach the poles. He hoped that such sacrifices of useful lives would now cease.

Those Present.

Karl Prinz, the Norwegian consul, with a party of ladies, his own country women, occupied seats on the platform. Mr. Fetherstonhaugh of the Empire Club, Commissioner Hammond of the boy scouts; Mr. Kent, head of the boy scouts; Rabbi Jacobs were among those on the platform. In the detachment of boy scouts on duty in the building, were two young brothers of Dr. Wright, the Toronto scientist, who was a member of Capt. Scott's expedition. A relative of Capt. Oates, one of the heroic dead, was in the audience.

Capt. Scott was a Devonshireman, therefore it was fitting that the Devonian Society should be present. The floral emblems were sent at the end of the service to the Sick Children's Hospital, the General Hospital and the British Welcome League.

The collection of $9.07 taken at the meeting of the British Welcome League last evening, will be sent to the mayor towards a fund for the survivors of Capt. Scott and his comrades who perished.

Will Only Visit Toronto.

Toronto is the only city in the Dominion which John Mason will visit this season. This brilliant actor opens a week's engagement at the Princess tonight with his latest successful play, "The Attack," and directly following his appearance he goes to Washington to appear prior to the inauguration ceremonies in the capital city.

Selections in Moleskin.

Moleskin makes up into most stylish dress accessories of fur. The little animals are caught in the north of England and Scotland and the skins prepared in London. Moleskin has continued fashionable for a generation and its style popularity is increasing. It is one of the lines, however, in which Dineen's have an overstock, and reductions are therefore necessary. Moleskin sets from $25 to $80. A varied selection of muffs and neck pieces, all at heavy reductions. Dineen's, manufacturing furriers, 104 Yonge street, corner Temperance street.

YE GOODE ST. ANTHONY FLYETH FROM TEMPTATION.