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TO AVOID RUPTURE WITH MEXICO

Administration Is Exerting Itself To The Utmost

Huerta Continues Defiant—Treat To Withdraw The American Embassy At The Mexican Capital Would Cause No Surprise At Washington—Relations With Southern Republic Admitted To Be Most Critical—Latest Developments

Washington, Nov. 17.—The relations between the United States and the Huerta government in Mexico are more strained than at any time since President Wilson began consideration of the Mexican problem. The administration here is exerting itself to the utmost of its ability to avoid if possible the rupture with the Mexico City government which seems imminent unless Huerta can be broken.

So genuinely critical do administration officials consider the present aspects of the situation that they are unwilling to discuss the Mexican question in any way. Relations between the two governments are admittedly so delicate that efforts were made to discourage all speculation regarding developments in Washington and Mexico City.

Secretary Bryan was at the state department during the day, in communication with his representatives in Mexico. He was likewise in conference with President Wilson. The steps taken by the administration were decided on in the conferences at the White House and in the light of the dispatches received at the department of state. Messages were received from John Lind at Vera Cruz, Nelson O'Shaughnessy at Mexico City and William B. Hale at the Carranza headquarters at Nogales.

There is good reason to believe that an attempt will be made by President Wilson to force Huerta out by threats of a rupture. On this account instructions to O'Shaughnessy to notify President Huerta that if the congress is not dissolved and himself out of the presidency within a brief period, he will withdraw the American embassy from the Mexican capital, would occasion no surprise here. The purpose of such action, if finally adopted, will be to frighten Huerta into the conviction that if he persists in his course he will have the armed forces of the United States upon him.

The only cheerful note in the situation in Washington is the fact that none of the European powers are standing with Huerta.

REBELS HOLD JUAREZ

Celebrate Their Victory by Indulging in Amusements.

Juarez, Mexico, Nov. 17.—The rebels of General Villa's army celebrated their capture of the biggest border city on the northern frontier. The church bells chimed merrily, but few of the victors hesitated as they passed the ancient mission longer than to cross themselves or kick the corpse of a late federal soldier. They only sauntered to the bull ring, the fiesta plaza or the keno hall.

Throughout Saturday, rifles and pistols barked at short intervals and late federal defenders of the border town crumpled up, one by one, in little heaps, while the present rebel possessors of the border port walked stolidly away to a nearby cantina for refreshment and to reload or hunt anew for some man they bore a grudge.

So unprepared for battle were the 400 federal defenders that Villa's troops actually reached the center of the town before a single shot was fired. It is estimated that 40 persons were killed in the fighting. The rebels lost five men, the federal dead is estimated at 30 and four or five non-combatants were killed.

AT HUERTA'S REQUEST

Mexican Minister of Interior Tenders His Resignation.

Mexico City, Nov. 17.—Manuel Garza Aldape, minister of the interior, at the request of President Huerta has presented his resignation. The

NELSON O'SHAUGHNESSY

He is the American Charge d'Affaires at Mexico City.



Photo by American Press Association.

reason for his retirement is not known, but it is believed to have been due to activity of Senor Aldape in endeavoring to bring about compliance by Huerta with the demands of Washington to relinquish the presidency. The minister had conferred previously with Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, on the subject of reopening negotiations with John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative, looking to a settlement of the trouble between Mexico and the United States.

Senor Aldape was the last remaining cabinet officer appointed by agreement between President Huerta and General Felix Diaz at the close of the 10 days' battle in the capital in February. The agreement was signed in the American embassy.

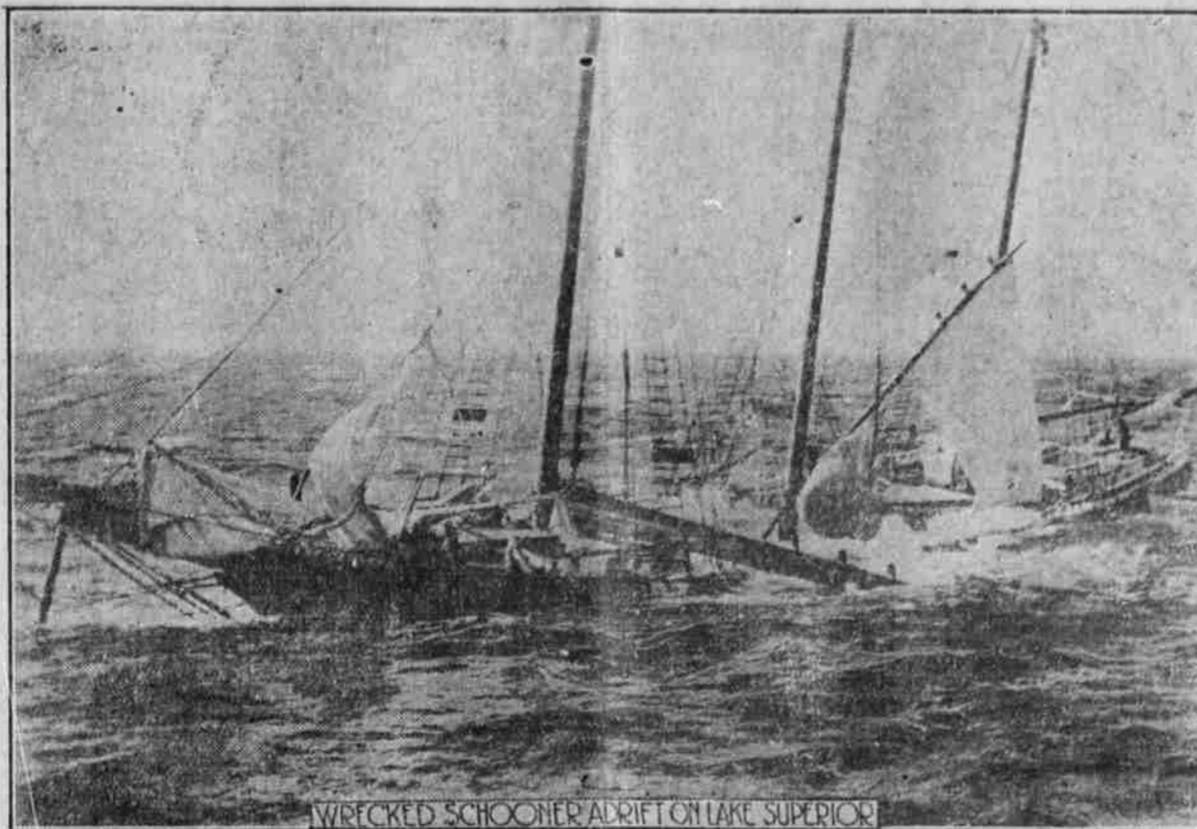
Open Break Expected.

Mexico City, Nov. 17.—It was learned on the highest authority that an open break with the United States is expected within 48 hours. Charge O'Shaughnessy is packing his trunks and may close the embassy and leave for Vera Cruz tonight.

DIES OF HIS INJURY

Cambridge, O., Nov. 17.—John Lewis, 20, a senior at the Cambridge high school, died from concussion of the brain, the result of injuries suffered in a football game played here Nov. 9 with the Martins Ferry high school. Lewis played a star game at left end but was injured when Martins Ferry players centered their attacks on him.

STRIKING PHOTO OF DERELICT AFLOAT AFTER DEADLY STORM ON GREAT LAKES



WRECKED SCHOONER ADRIFT ON LAKE SUPERIOR

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 17.—The death list of the lakes is growing daily as reports of disasters in the recent storm come in. The dead and the missing will probably reach 300. The wrecked vessels and the number of victims on each one so far as known are

as follows: The Caruthers, 28; Regina, 22; McGean, 28; Wexford, 22; Price, 28; Argus, 26; Lafayette, 12; Hydrus, 28; Manchester, 26; Plymouth, 7; Leafield, 15; Lightship No. 82, 6; Nottingham, 3. From constantly increasing

reports the loss of life and property has marked the storm as the most disastrous that ever occurred on the great lakes. The picture shown herewith gives a good idea of the scenes of havoc attending the blizzard and gale.

REFORMS ARE URGED IN BANK MANAGEMENT

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—Elimination of the overdraft, prohibition of interlocking boards of directors, greater responsibility on the part of directors for criminal transactions and recodification of the state banking laws are among the radical changes recommended for legislative action by State

Banking Superintendent Lattanner in his annual report, which was presented to Governor Cox today. Superintendent Lattanner would make it a felony for anyone to give a check knowing that he has not adequate funds to meet it.

FOUR MILLION GIFT TO CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 17.—An anonymous gift of \$4,350,000 to the Cornell university medical school in New York city was announced by President Jacob Gould Schurman of Cornell university. Dr. Schurman said he was not at liberty to disclose the name of the donor. On account of his magnificent generosity to the Cornell medical school in the past, however, it is generally

believed that the man who made this gift to the medical school is Colonel Iver Payne of New York city. The gift was actually made to President Schurman in New York city last Friday. The sum will insure the medical school a yearly income of about \$200,000. None of the money is to be used for buildings, but will be devoted to paying the annual running expenses of the college.

GOVERNOR OF DELAWARE SUPPORTS WHIPPING POST

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 17.—Governor Charles R. Miller of this state came out strongly in support of the whipping post. In response to newspaper articles and letters he has received as a result of the agitation caused by the resolution offered in congress by Representative Evans of Montana, the governor said: "This

courts and other authorities of Delaware will administer the internal affairs of the commonwealth regardless of any attempted interference by a member of congress or of persons in other states who are ignorant of conditions here." The executive stated he had received abusive letters demanding that he suspend the whipping post law.

THIEF ROBS DEAD MAN

Toledo, O., Nov. 17.—After the body of William Steinhauer had been lying in an undertaking chapel here for one day less than a year, a perry thief stole the burial shoes from the dead man's feet. A scribbled note found in the chapel said: "I need the shoes more than the stiff does." The body is being held because of litigation.

SHIFT AT XENIA HOME

Xenia, O., Nov. 17.—The office of the financial officer at the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' home is abolished under the new system of bookkeeping. Financial Officer W. E. Lutz will be made storekeeper, taking the place of Captain W. H. Southerland of Ripley, a veteran, who resigned.

FROM TEACHER TO JANITOR

Cleveland, O., Nov. 17.—Because a job as teacher in East high school, where he was in charge of the manual training department, paid him only \$1,800 a year, and a job as first janitor pays \$2,400, Charles J. Foskett has resigned his school position to become chief custodian of the First National Bank building.

TOUCHED LIVE WIRE

Cleveland, O., Nov. 17.—A hat was responsible for the death of J. C. Thompson, lineman for the Bell Telephone company. Thompson was on a pole repairing a line when the wind blew his hat off. He turned to see where the hat had dropped and his forehead came in contact with a live wire.

GIRL AMONG CORN BOYS

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—Names of the six children who won free trips to Washington on the "corn boy" special for raising prize fruit were announced by President A. P. Sandles of the state agricultural commission. There is one girl in the list, Miss Susan A. Everett of Trumbull county. The five boys are Herman Gilvin and Page G. Dawson of Clermont county, Stanley Ardrey of Muskingum, Clyde F. Lewis of Belmont and C. F. Ishee of Geauga.

LETS OUT SOME CLERKS

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—Reduction in clerical allowances to county auditors is recommended in a general letter sent by the Ohio tax commission to every board of county commissioners in the state. Under the new taxation laws all work connected with the listing and assessing of property for taxation and making up the tax duplicate is transferred from the auditor to the local deputy tax commissioners.

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OHIO'S STRONGBOX

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—Closing up the fiscal year 1913, State Treasurer John P. Brennan made the announcement that Ohio's nest egg has grown \$81,266.93 during the twelve-month period. The total receipts of the state were \$15,578,471.60, while the expenses were \$14,697,184.67.

WON'T HURT THE LAW

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—"Judge William Day's decision won't hurt the compulsory workmen's compensation in Ohio the slightest bit. No one need be alarmed. All this outcry is coming from the liability companies." That's what Attorney General Hogan has to say about Judge Day's ruling in the United States district court giving John J. McWeeney, Cleveland employe, \$14,000 damages for a "willful act of negligence" on the part of his employer.

TO LINE UP THE MAYORS

Columbus, O., Nov. 17.—Organization of the mayors and auditors of the larger cities of the state for the purpose of co-operation in the movement for financial relief through absorbing all of the liquor license fees will be essayed by Mayor Newton D. Baker of Cleveland, who held a consultation with Governor James M. Cox. Mayor Hunt of Cincinnati already has publicly endorsed the proposal that all of the liquor taxes raised in the larger cities shall be kept in them. It is expected that Columbus, Toledo and other cities will endorse the movement.

BREAKS THE NECKS OF HER TWO BOYS

Distracted Mother, Pinched By Poverty, Attempts Suicide.

Johnstown, Pa., Nov. 17.—Suspended by a belt from a nail in the home of her father, Mrs. Amelia Banks was cut down in time to save her life. On a bed lay the bodies of her two sons, aged 3 and 4 years, each with his neck broken. Mrs. Banks, after being revived, was lodged in the Cambria county jail, charged with murder. Recently the woman underwent an operation. She wrote to her husband in Bisbee, Ariz., telling her need of money. There was no response. Mrs. Banks wrote a second time, telling her husband that if no money was received within 10 days she would kill their two children and herself.

Americans in Full Flight.

Mexico City, Nov. 17.—It is not expected that General Huerta or the United States will make any definite move for several days, as influences are still at work looking to a peaceful settlement. The air is filled with alarming rumors and the exodus of Americans to Vera Cruz continues. The employes of the Waters-Pierce Oil company believe they are in danger of their lives, as General Huerta is generally credited with holding that company responsible for the present trouble.

The best way to insure a city beautiful is to use foresight. It is better to build on clearly defined plans than to tear away and remodel at increased cost.