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CRISIS IS PASSED HUERTA TUMBLES

GRATIFYING NEWS RECEIVED PRESIDENT WILSON

THURSDAY

BIG CLOUD SHOWS RIFT

Accepting Huerta's Apology Is Not Regarded In Any Sense As Recognizing Him Head of a Government

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—The United States government tonight accepted General Huerta's offer to salute the stars and stripes as an apology for the arrest of American bluejackets at Tampico a week ago today. The Huerta government's salute to the American flag will be answered with a salute to the tri-color of the Mexican nation.

This arrangement, the details of which were being finally arranged tonight in an exchange of official messages between Washington and Mexico City, ended, in the view of all high administration officials, the crisis that had resulted in the dispatch of American war fleets to Mexican waters. Executive officers and congressmen breathed a sigh of relief that the tension had passed.

No time has been set for the firing of the salute, until the details are arranged, no further orders will be sent to the American fleets now proceeding south. It is practically certain, however, that while many of the vessels will be turned back, others will continue south, and a substantially increased naval force will be maintained in Mexican waters.

Huerta's offer, and request for a return salute, called President Wilson to ask for an opinion from the secretary of the state department and navy department officials. All reported that it was the inevitable custom in naval practice to return a salute, and chief executives.

The incident was also informed that Huerta's salute, on making his original demand for a salute, agreed to return the compliment.

No recognition of Huerta.
Mr. Wilson said a return salute under such circumstances did not involve recognition of the Huerta government, but was merely an act of some character as giving the hand of an individual who was apologizing as he extended it. Secretary Bryan, too, took the view that the American salute would be given to the flag of the Mexican nation, just as much respected by the constitutionalists as the Huerta government, and no technical recognition was involved.

Secretary Bryan, while the United States returned the salute of other nations which apologized to it, was cited at the white house and navy department, and it was generally agreed in executive quarters that General Huerta's compliance with the American demand had dissipated a tense situation. No order to the American fleet to change its course will be given until the final details of the salute have been arranged.

In less than 48 hours after President Wilson had ordered the Atlantic and Pacific fleets to Mexican waters, and had informed General Huerta that unless a salute was fired to stars and stripes, the United States would be serious consequences, the matter came a complete acceptance of the demand of the Washington government.

No Change in Policy.
Washington, April 16.—Immediately there was a change in the atmosphere of official Washington. As the storm cloud lifted and a wave of satisfaction spread through official quarters, President Wilson arranged to go to White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., for the week-end, and Secretary Bryan, who is ill, planned to take his long delayed trip to Miami, Fla. Attention had been temporarily directed from the legislative program toward seats to congressional routine.

While the president declared the firing of the salute would close the Tampico incident, it will have no particular bearing on the general Mexican policy of the administration.

Incidentally, the president, as well as Mr. Bryan, in their conversations on the situation, generally drew attention to several reports they had received regarding General Villa and his constitutionalists, for such treatment of prisoners and foreigners in the border would be a serious obstacle to official reports from every witness.

To Save Member.
Charlotte, N. C., April 16.—An old Cherokee or Croatian Indian woman, says a Lumberton special tonight, was struck and instantly killed by a train on the Atlantic Coast Line near Seabrook, N. C., when she attempted to save her dog which was on the track ahead of the locomotive.

W. O. W. RECOVERED BODY
Interesting Development in the Matter of Vergara's Murder by Rebels.

(By Associated Press)
Omaha, Neb., April 16.—Payment today by the Woodman of the World of an insurance policy on the life of Clement Vergara, the Texas ranchman, alleged to have been decoyed to the Mexican side of the border and slain by Mexican federal troops, revealed the fact that the mysterious disappearance of Vergara's body from Mexico will have been accomplished by members of the order.

The proof of death furnished the order, which has headquarters here, gave the information that Vergara had been taken to a lonely island in the Rio Grande by federal soldiers and there shot and his body bayoneted. The proof of death, which was the body, was buried by the soldiers.

The casualty department of the order gave out the information that a number of the members of the order had organized and executed the rescue of the body and brought it to American soil, where it was restored to the Vergara family.

COTTON GRADING IN SUPREME COURT

Interesting Point Brought Up On Account of Suit Over a Trans-Atlantic Shipment

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—The relations of American cotton exporters to their foreign agents is the subject of a suit the supreme court will be asked to review within the next few days. Informal application for the review was today lodged with the court.

The case is one in which the Birge-Forbes Company of Sherman, Texas, was held liable to its foreign agent at Bremen for \$40,000 damages. This amount was the suit the agent paid to purchasers of cotton for selling cotton to them not up to grade.

The Texas firm was sued in the federal court at Texas after arbitrators selected in accordance with the rules of the Bremen cotton exchange had held the purchasers were entitled to damages. The Texas firm now complains that the arbitrary difference in grades fixed by the Bremen exchange should not have been used in the arbitration. It is claimed this would have invalidated the claim of the agent for reparation from the exporters.

C. & W. C. TRAIN UNDER TRACK

Passenger Train No. 5 Was Delayed For Two Hours By A Slight Wreck

Passenger train no. 5 of the Charleston & Western Carolina railroad was held up yesterday for two hours when the train, running on the track of the R. F. railroad, near the intersection of the two lines, was derailed and little damage was done.

This train was held up for more than 20 minutes, but owing the wreck did not reach here until 7:50 P. M.

BOOKS OF RECORDS

Open for Election in Ward 4—In Of. Of Mr. T. F. Dickson

(By Associated Press)
The books of registration for the election in ward 4 to be held May 29th were opened this morning in the office of the supervisor of registration in T. F. Dickson's office.

Room occupied by the election theatre, in order to secure a registration certificate the voters must appear with their last county state and city tax receipts, must have been a resident of the ward at least two years, and a resident of ward 4 at least four months. He must also exhibit his state registration certificate. Armed with these papers, voters will be proceeding to a qualified voter's list.

STATE MAY LOSE THE MANEUVERS

THE MATTER IS BEING HELD UP BY SECRETARY OF WAR FOR INQUIRY

GOVERNOR IS MAD

And Is Alleged to Have Sent Conflicting Requests to Washington—Muddle Started

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—Secretary of War Garrison announced tonight that he was holding up the selection of a site for the annual summer maneuvers of the militia of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina, pending the adjustment of the latest clash between Governor Cole L. Blease of South Carolina and the war department.

The Isle of Palms, near Charleston had been selected by the militia adjutants general and the war department but was not approved because of vigorous objections from Governor Blease, who complained that he had not been consulted. Later the department received a telegram from the governor urging the selection of the site.

Not pleased by this development, Secretary Garrison asked the governor to withdraw one of the other of his communications, but the governor refused, insisting that while he wanted the Isle of Palms chosen he must be consulted. Now Representative Whaley of South Carolina has undertaken to straighten out the tangle.

The Situation.
Some time ago it was announced from Washington that the United States army officer inspecting the sites in this state offered for the encampment of 10,000 troops this summer had selected the Isle of Palms. Soon afterwards, the order was revoked by the assistant secretary of war, Mr. Brockbridge on the showing of Mr. Representative Whaley of this state.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION IS UNDER DISCUSSION BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—Prohibitionists before the senate judiciary committee continued arguments today for submission of the state of constitutional amendment barring the liquor traffic. Dr. James Cannon, Jr., superintendent of the Virginia Anti-Saloon League, applying to Senator Bacon

to have to convince Senators that the amendment would be the most effective way of fighting the traffic, declared no one could tell positively how far reaching the amendment would be.

DOESN'T LIKE NEGRO

Senator Vanderman Doesn't Want One For Police Judge in Washington

Washington, April 16.—Southern democrats filibustering late today against the confirmation of Robert H. French, chief of police of Washington in the District of Columbia, kept the senate in session for more than 20 hours without reaching a vote.

A LIGHT MEAL COMES HEAVY

In Tampa the Price For Ham and Eggs Is \$2.50 Per Meal

According to References
(By Associated Press)
Tampa, Fla., April 16.—With three American refugees aboard, the German oil steamer *Osage* from Tampa docked here today. The steamer arrived at quarantine yesterday.

The refugees were A. C. Carroll, T. N. Secor and E. Hammond. They were from Tampa on April 16 while the German oil steamer was making their stop on the Mexican coast.

Conflicting reports were made concerning the oil steamer, which was considered a small oil steamer in Tampa and that the price of food was very high. The price of eggs is a good deal higher than in other parts of the coast.

FOLK IS AFTER MAN HIGHER UP

Famed St. Louis Great Hunter Is After Railroad Magnates For The Government

(By Associated Press)
Washington, D. C., April 16.—Indictments were voted today by the federal grand jury. It is understood authoritatively, against the four witnesses who refused to testify before the interstate commerce commission last Friday concerning relations of the Billard Company with the New Haven Railroad system. The indictments probably will not be returned for several days, pending final word from the witnesses, as to whether they desire to change their attitude. Criminal prosecution was referred to in preference to contempt proceedings.

The men whose names are before the jury are Harry V. White, president of the Merchants National Bank of New Haven; Samuel H. Hanningway, president of the Second National Bank of New Haven; Edward C. Field and Samuel Morehouse, all of New Haven. All four are supposed to have official connection with the Billard Company, through which it has been alleged that millions of dollars worth of New Haven securities have been illegally diverted.

Henry Stoddard, counsel for Whipple and Field, today notified Chief Counsel Joseph W. Felt, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, that his clients would not appear in court rather than undergo the stigma of an indictment and criminal prosecution.

LEO M. FRANK TO GET NEW TRIAL

Because He Was Not In Court When Jury Returned Its Verdict

(By Associated Press)
Atlanta, Ga., April 16.—Execution of Leo M. Frank, Georgia factory superintendent, sentenced to be hanged Friday for the murder of Mary Phagan, 14 years old, was stayed by legal action today.

Two motions were made today in an effort to save the life of the defendant, who is the central figure in the case that has caused so much national comment. One was the granting of a new trial on the ground that the jury was not allowed to see the defendant from the courtroom when the verdict was returned. The other was for a new trial on the claim of newly discovered evidence.

Arguments on both motions, which were filed in the superior court, will be heard by Judge Hill on April 22. This action of the court automatically stays the hanging of Frank until final action is taken on the two motions.

Violation of the United States constitution is claimed by counsel for the defense in the action of Judge Roan, who presided at the trial, in allowing Frank to be absent from the courtroom when the verdict was returned. It is believed this plea will constitute the basis of an appeal to the supreme court of the United States in case the state courts finally decide against a new hearing.

The motion for the substitution of a new trial was filed by attorneys who, heretofore, have not been connected with the defense. It raises the question of the legality of the verdict of both defense and prosecution, which permitted the factory superintendent to be absent from the courtroom when the jury returned the verdict.

Sworn statements also were included in which witnesses against the defendant repudiated portions of their evidence especially that reflecting on his character. Methods used by the prosecution in procuring the evidence against Frank were also attacked.

The body of the murdered girl was found in the basement of the National Pencil Company's plant on the morning of April 27. Authorities have failed to agree as to whether death resulted from a blow she had received on the head or from strangulation.

Frank was convicted on the first ballot of the jury. The motion for a new trial filed today was an extraordinary one. A previous motion was denied by the superior court and an appeal to the state court also proved futile, the latter affirming the conviction.

There is being conducted a revival in the Whittaker Methodist church, beginning last night. Rev. J. A. Clement will be in charge, and the services will be at 8 P. M. and 1:30 P. M. every day. There is a certain number of people expected to all to come.

Londonbury, Va., April 16.—A wildfire area was reported by the local authorities.

MORE SUPPORT FOR WILSON

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT SAYS THAT THE EXEMPTION WAS IMPROPER

STRONG FEATURES

Brought Out By the Advocates Of the Repeal Action—Choate Writes

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—Joseph H. Choate, American ambassador to Great Britain during the negotiation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, believes correspondence with the British Government at that time precludes the idea that American coastwise shipping can be exempted from paying tolls through the Panama Canal.

Former President Taft, who signed the Panama Canal Act, containing the exemption clause, thought that in doing so he was granting a subsidy to American coastwise shipping, and believes that unless congress reverses itself the United States will have to submit the question to arbitration.

These points, now welcomed by repeal advocates, were brought out today at the hearing before the senate committee on inter-oceanic canals. Mr. Taft in a letter declared that "There are some hot heads that talk about the right of the United States to manage her own canal and her own property as she likes, no matter what she has agreed to, but this is all froth. There are the exploiters." He added that he had no idea of breaking a treaty, but the question was "what the treaty means."

AMENDE HONORABLE

Navy Department Declares It Should Be Recognized

Washington, April 16.—The navy department issued the following statement on this point:
"The salute to the American flag by the United States to the Huerta government is a well authenticated report that the last installment of a loan due Huerta was about to be held up by foreign bankers, if he did not comply with American demands."

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In Admiral Mayo's written communication, April 8, General Goyena was informed by Admiral Mayo that the salute would be returned by the Dolphin.

THE FOREIGN POWERS

Caused Huerta To Decide on His Course—Out of Funds

Washington, April 16.—Inquiry as to the character of pressure brought on General Huerta brought out the fact that foreign governments had an active interest in the events of the last twenty-four hours. Both the French and German ambassadors, after conferences at the state department, were in communication. It is understood, with their representatives in Mexico City.

Another phase of the situation was a well authenticated report that the last installment of a loan due Huerta was about to be held up by foreign bankers, if he did not comply with American demands.

LABOR LEADERS SEEKING PARDON

The 27 Men Charged With Conspiracy in Lynching Appeal to President

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—President Wilson was asked by a congressional delegation today to request Attorney General McPherson to obtain a stay of execution for the twenty-seven labor leaders sentenced for complicity in the dynamite conspiracy.

They asked the president to stay the sentences until he had an opportunity to review all the proceedings and the application for pardon. The president promised to give the case careful consideration.

Londonbury, Va., April 16.—A wildfire area was reported by the local authorities.

LONDON PRESS ROASTS WILSON

War in Mexico Would Have Been Over But For Monroe Doctrine, They Declare

(By Associated Press)
London, April 16.—The London morning papers, commenting with satisfaction on the conclusion of the Tampico incident, continue to criticize President Wilson's policy. The Daily Telegraph says:
"It seems plain that Huerta's face is thoroughly well-saved, and a very considerable strengthening is given to his position in the eyes of his countrymen."

The Graphic says:
"The bargain has a double advantage—satisfaction to President Wilson and the saving of President Huerta's face."

The Post says:
"It is a moral victory for the United States which will leave Huerta just where he was. President Wilson's policy is not quite intelligible to observers outside of the United States. But for the Monroe doctrine, it is probable that several European nations would co-operate to secure the re-establishment of order and the protection of their interests in Mexico."

RACES ABANDONED

Governor of Oklahoma Has Carried His Point Against Them

Tulsa, Okla., April 16.—Because of the refusal of acquaintances to attend the races, Governor C. C. Chubb, president of the Tulsa Jockey Club grounds, R. J. Altman, president of the club, today announced the abandonment of the race meeting which began here Monday.

MERE BAGATELLE SIXTY MILLIONS

Two Slips of Paper Representing the Value of Five Washiest Counties in This State

(By Associated Press)
New York, April 16.—Two slips of paper, each representing \$2,971,250 today were delivered to the city of New York. They were certified checks turned over to the city by the successful bidder in the sale of the city's water supply.

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Return of the Salute Is But A Formality

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—Huerta's offer was received in congress generally with approval, and members familiar with international precedents agreed that a return salute from the United States was a mere formality.

Senator Lodge, ranking republican member of the foreign relations committee, who had said early in the day that to return the salute would nullify the effect of the apology, withdrew his criticism after a telephone message with Secretary Bryan.

Senator Shively, acting chairman of the foreign relations committee, was quick to agree that the United States government could not refrain from answering the Mexican apology. A return salute was in accordance with the international custom.

During executive session late today, senators discussed the reported Huerta position informally, and it was agreed that the United States should not quibble over returning the salute.

STATEMENTS ISSUED

Atlanta, April 16.—Attorneys on both sides in the Frank case issued statements tonight. The essential point was that Frank was not in court room when the verdict was read. This was done as a precaution to protect the prisoner in case he should be acquitted. It is contended that he knew nothing of this arrangement. One of his attorneys knew nothing of it.

HALF MILLION INCREASE MADE

SENATE RAISED THE FIGURE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR AGRICULTURE

FIGHT BOLL WEEVIL

The Bill As Reported Will Bid Farewell to the Free Distribution of Seeds

(By Associated Press)
Washington, April 16.—Reorganization of the work of the department of agriculture was proposed in an amendment, reported to the senate today by the agricultural committee. The committee made a half million dollar increase in the house bill.

The committee struck from the bill the appropriation for congressional distribution of free seeds, over which there is an annual contest. It inserted an item of \$100,000 to furnish Southern primary cotton markets with samples of government cotton standards and of yarns made from standardized cotton. An item for farmers co-operative demonstrations and cotton boll weevil studies was increased \$250,000 with the condition that no contributions for this purpose should be received from any individual or corporation.

An item for the investigation of insect damage Southern crops was amended to include an investigation of the cigarette beetle and the total appropriation for the purpose increased \$25,000.

Whitman Is After The Men Higher Up

(By Associated Press)
New York, April 16.—District Attorney Whitman hoped tonight to learn from the critics of the federal testimony introduced as a result of the four Russian slayers of Justice McGowan in their mad race to get into court in their mad race to get into court Justice Goff that Saturday for a new trial.

Carl Dresner, one of the new witnesses, was brought to the district attorney's office today and questioned as to who induced him to prepare the affidavit submitted to Justice Goff. This affidavit was the basis of the indictment admitted yesterday by District Attorney Goff. He pleaded guilty to the crime and is in the Tombs pending his appearance before the grand jury. Dresner would not give the information sought, nor would he tell whether he was paid to become an eleven hour witness.

WAS UNDER COMPELSION

British Consul Makes Serious Charge Against Villa

(By Associated Press)
El Paso, Tex., April 16.—H. S. Candard-Cummins, until recently British vice consul at Torreon, who arrived in General Velasco General Villa's demand for the surrender of that city, reached here today from the way.

Secretary Daniels Is Proud of the Navy

(By Associated Press)
New York, April 16.—With Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, the guest of honor, the Navy League of the United States held its sixth annual banquet tonight and heard speakers laud the preparedness of the navy for immediate action as shown by the prompt departure of a powerful squadron for Mexican waters at the call of the Washington authorities this week. Speaking of his recent order abolishing the wine mess, Sec. Daniels said:
"With singular lack of logic, critics who see fit to reproach me for this into a case of discipline run mad on the other. For greater questions than that of discipline are involved."

The secretary said there was no body of more temperate, clear-headed men to the world than American naval officers. He asked his listeners whether they would not amend the abolishing of a wine mess in railroad engineers' club houses if the railroads would permit such a thing.

"The attack on a wine battalions and the secretary, the loss of a critical battle and the honor of the country may easily hinge upon one of many men in the yard and on the quays which were great and intricate machinery, called battle-ships, have created."

F. K. McCully, in speaking of his days in Columbia on battleships.