

DIAZ REVOLT CAUSES ALARM.

UNCLE SAM CONCERNED ABOUT SITUATION IN MEXICO.

Although Adhering to Policy of Non-Intervention, State Department is Keeping in Close Touch with Events — Formidable Nature of Revolt Led by Felix Diaz May Bring About Further Complications.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Official interest here today centered upon the situation in Mexico, where the rebellion has taken on a new and formidable phase as a result of the revolt of Gen. Felix Diaz.

The return to Washington of Secretary Knox from his Japanese trip; the presence here of Henry Lane Wilson, ambassador to Mexico, and interesting and important developments in the military situation at Vera Cruz, held by Diaz, within the past two days were elements that served to concentrate attention upon the Mexican trouble.

As Secretary Knox was accompanied from Chicago to Washington by Assistant Secretary Huntington Wilson, he found himself upon his arrival here this morning well informed of all save the very latest developments. Probably in consequence, the conference, which was expected to take place between Secretary Knox and Ambassador Wilson, was deferred for a time.

The ambassador probably will have an opportunity to discuss the situation and receive suggestions that may be thought necessary for his guidance in the confidential talk with Secretary Knox before the latter leaves Washington tomorrow night to join President Taft at Beverly.

The one fact that stands out clearly today is that, although the ambassador has conferred at length with Acting Secretary Adee and the officials of the State department who are charged principally with the conduct of Mexican relations, nothing he has communicated has influenced the officials to change the clearly definite policy of non-intervention in Mexico. This is true even in the face of semi-official admissions that the revolutionary movement in Mexico has assumed a much more serious aspect than ever before, and that a coalition between the forces of the rebel leaders, Zapata, who for the past year has maintained a formidable rebellion almost in sight of the Mexican Capital, and Gen. Felix Diaz, reputed to be supported by the powerful Cientifico party, might jeopardize the very existence of the Madero Government. So far, however, it cannot be established that these leaders have agreed to make common cause.

The military situation at Vera Cruz, according to the last reports to the department, was extremely critical. Though there was promise of an important battle between the Diaz forces and the Federal army commanded by Gen. Beltran, it was confidently expected the important foreign interests in Vera Cruz would escape jeopardy and loss of the lives of non-combatants be averted by an agreement between the two commanders to do their fighting outside the city limits.

Gen. Beltran told the foreign consuls that he would transmit to his Government their request to refrain from bombarding the town or fighting in the streets.

For his part Gen. Diaz, who is in complete possession of the city proper, offered to the consuls all possible guarantees to life and property so long as he maintained control. With the leaders on both sides in this frame of mind the consuls felt reassured.

According to today's reports everything in Vera Cruz is quiet and is likely to remain so unless the Federal gunboats bombard the city.

Gen. Beltran's forces were about ten miles from town. A possible element of trouble is the issue of a decree of the Government officer in charge of the gunboats declaring the port of Vera Cruz closed. Indirectly this may drag the United States navy into the affair, as the American mail steamship Sigurana has appeared in the harbor and is there to discharge cargo. If the Federal naval commander persists in regarding the port as closed and refuses to permit the ship to unload, the situation would exactly parallel that in Rio harbor nearly twenty years ago, when the American navy broke a rebel blockade.

"Home Rule" in Charleston.

It's rather superfluous, anyway, to tell the people of Charleston they ought to have "home rule." It has always been a case of local determination with them.—Greenwood Journal.

Darlington-Marion.

A game of football was played on the school house grounds Saturday afternoon between Marion and Darlington, with the result of no score to either team.—Darlington News.

COTTON DOWN, THEN UP.

ADVANCE DURING DAY ALMOST OVERCOMES EARLY LOSS.

New York Market Opens Easier at Decline Under Liquidation Caused by Reports of Continued Favorable Weather and Bearish Liverpool Cables—Considerable Buying Later in Day Helps to Advance Prices.

New York, Oct. 21.—An opening loss was followed by almost a full recovery in the cotton market to-day, but the improvement was barely maintained, and while the final tone was steady at an advance of 2 points on October, last prices were generally 1 1/2 points net lower.

The market started easier at a decline of 5 1/2 points under liquidation by buyers of late last week, who were doubtless disappointed by the failure of the weather map to show any unfavorable developments of importance over Sunday and by easier Liverpool cables. Private advices claiming large offerings of actual and Continental selling, tended to increase bearish confidence around the local ring, particularly as the Continental selling was supposed to reflect a bearish view of affairs in the Balkans.

There was considerable buying for foreign account in the local market, however, while there was also a little support from some of the leading spot brokers and as soon as the weather forecasts were published, prices worked up to within a point or so of Saturday's final. After the close of Liverpool had shut out arbitrage business, the buying here became less active and the market here was more or less inactive.

Prices sagged off 5 or 6 points from the best during the middle of the day under liquidation by earlier buyers for a turn, who found that frost predictions for North Texas and Oklahoma had not stimulated outside demand to any material extent, but Southern selling here was not as much of a feature as had been predicted on Saturday and the market later in the afternoon turned firmer on bullish spot positions. Most positions reached the highest level of the day during the last hour.

ROOSEVELT GOES HOME.

Shows no Ill Effects From Long Train Ride.

On Board Roosevelt Car, Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 21.—Although Theodore Roosevelt was weary from his all-day ride from Chicago to Pittsburg, he showed no other effects on his arrival here tonight and the physicians who are accompanying him were confident the former president would reach Oyster Bay in almost as good condition as he was when he left Mercy hospital.

Mrs. Roosevelt and the physicians, while believing the colonel had sufficient strength for the trip, nevertheless were concerned as to the outcome when the time came for his departure and during the first few hours they watched the patient closely for any sign of a setback. As the day wore on and it became plain he was resting comfortably on the big brass bed in his stateroom, the tension was relaxed and tonight every one on the colonel's car was breathing more easily.

Col. Roosevelt spent the day in reading magazines, talking and sleeping. As soon as he was brought to his car in Chicago he went to bed and remained there throughout the day. He said in the morning he did not feel like sleeping but the swaying of the car tired him and he slept for several hours. Hardships on the journey were increased by several severe jolts, caused by the imperfect action of a brake on the colonel's car. The colonel was suffering from nervous exhaustion when he left Chicago.

McNAUGHTON AGAIN SENTENCED

To Hang November 22 Unless Rescued by Governor Brown.

Swainsboro, Ga., Oct. 21.—In the Superior Court today Dr. W. J. McNaughton, convicted of the murder of Fred Flanders, by poison, was sentenced to be hanged on November 22. This is the third time Dr. McNaughton has been sentenced to death. Mrs. Flanders, the widow of the dead man, jointly indicted with McNaughton for murder, has not been tried for her part in the alleged crime and as Governor Brown has declared that McNaughton should not be executed until Mrs. Flanders' case is disposed of, it is not likely that he will hang on the date named today.

It has been reported that Mrs. Flanders had fled from Swainsboro. McNaughton's attorney, before his client was resented, today stated to the court that such a report was unfair and untrue and that the woman could be produced within a few hours when she is wanted. Dr. McNaughton will be carried back to Savannah and put in jail there.

COLUMBIANS HAVE TO WALK.

NOT A SINGLE STREET CAR WAS IN OPERATION MONDAY.

Suburbanites and Others Now Perambulate to Business and Elsewhere Unless They Have Hack Fare.

Columbia, Oct. 22.—Not a single street car has moved in Columbia for two days. As a result numerous Columbians have been obliged to flex their gastrocnemii muscles to an unaccustomed degree in their goings and comings. Neither the striking street railway employes nor the company have made any move toward a settlement of their disagreement.

Everybody, lacking hack and automobile fare, walked yesterday, the children to schools, the suburbanites to business and those unclaimed by other affairs to the circus. Columbians placidly spent their second perambulating day. Everybody was doing it, except the plutocrats with hack fare.

The dwellers in Columbia's thriving suburbs, Shandon, Eau Claire, Ridgewood, Arden, College Place, Waverly and Colonial Heights, are very much inconvenienced as a result of the strike of the motormen and conductors of the Columbia Electric, Gas and Street Railway company. The citizens of Olympia and Granby mills on the southern outskirts of Columbia are also seriously disadvantaged.

The children had to walk to the schools and to the circus and then back home.

There has been no interruption of business as a result of the strike. The circus in Columbia yesterday drew hundreds of people to the heart of the city. The merchants had a good day in spite of the fact that the weather was disagreeable and drizzly.

The coating of rust on the rails of all the street car lines has had plenty of time to accumulate. The nervous mothers of fidgety children extracted a crumb of comfort from the strike yesterday. They were fully assured that their obstreperous younglings would not be run over by street cars while in animated contemplation of the circus parade. Except for the potentialities in the heavy feet of the herd of elephants, "every cloud—" for the mothers yesterday.

It is impossible to predict the outcome of the strike of the street car motormen and conductors. For the last two days the Columbia Electric, Gas and Street Railway company has adopted a policy of acquiescence, making no attempt to run their street cars. Nor have the strikers made any move which has been announced. Various rumors are afloat in regard to the situation, but the public mind seems remarkably undisturbed considering the seriousness of traction conditions.

CLARENDON TEACHERS MEET

Co-operation for the Betterment of Schools—Officers Chosen.

Manning, Oct. 21.—Pursuant to the call of the county superintendent of education, Prof. E. J. Brown, there was a meeting of white teachers in the Manning graded school building last Saturday. On account of the inclement weather many from a distance were prevented from attending the meeting, but as it was there were 28 teachers present. The County Teachers' Association was re-organized by the election of the following officers: President, Prof. L. Newton; vice president, B. D. Alexander; secretary and treasurer, Miss Violet Brown, Manning.

The School Improvement Association was also re-organized by the election of the following officers: President, Miss Katharin Richardson; vice president, Miss Edith Edge; secretary and treasurer, Miss Maple Bolton, of Manning.

An association of high schools was also organized. An interesting and instructive feature of the day was an address by Prof. Edmund G. Carter.

It is the purpose of the re-organized teachers to have field day exercises next spring, when appropriate programmes will be carried out for the high schools and for all the schools of the county. The field day observed here last spring was a marked success and will look forward eagerly to the one set for next spring.

ANOTHER SOLDIERS' HOME

This Time in Georgia—Winn Under Charge.

Atlanta, Oct. 21.—Charges of conduct filed with the court against Thomas E. Winn, one of the trustees of the Confederate Soldiers' Home here, will be heard today. The board of trustees, which met at the Home October 19, has branded the charges against Winn as false. He called upon Gov. McCall and discussed the case with the Executive for nearly an hour.

FIGHTING IN BALKANS.

WAR NEWS STILL STORY OF UN-IMPORTANT BRUSHES.

Important Battles, However, Are Said to be Imminent—Stark Conflict Expected at Adrianople.

London, Oct. 21.—War news still is the story of comparatively uninteresting small engagements involved in manoeuvring for position, while the Turkish and Balkan forces are assembling and preparing for big events.

When the allied states declared war it was assumed Turkey had by no means concentrated her troops. Moreover Turkey still was hoping to detach Greece from the confederation. Her failure to do this undoubtedly necessitated some change in the strategic plans and she still needed time to transport her troops to the required positions, hence the falling back of the small Turkish garrisons from numerous frontier posts is of no great significance.

The Servian army is advancing steadily and now has its headquarters at Vranja in the movement against Uskup. The Greeks have captured Dissikata, from which position the Turks retired to the town of Servia, where a big battle is expected shortly.

According to a Constantinople report, an important battle is imminent at Adrianople. Meanwhile the rival fleets are active, the Greeks blockading the island of Lemnos and the Turkish bombarding Kavarna and Varna.

A report of the sinking of a Bulgarian torpedo boat is discredited at Constantinople, where it is stated the Turkish warships in the Black sea fired at torpedo boats, but the latter took refuge in port, the warships not venturing to follow for fear of mines.

The Greek consul at Cardiff, under instruction from his government, is laying claim to all the Greek tonnage entering that port. Every vessel so commanded becomes the property of the Greek government and the captain an officer of the Greek navy. Ship owners have requested the British foreign office to protect them against this procedure.

ON VERGE OF BATTLE.

Admitted in Constantinople that Big Fight Near Adrianople is Imminent—People Warned.

Constantinople, Oct. 21.—It is admitted here tonight that the Bulgarians are established about 120 miles from Adrianople and that a big battle is imminent. The governor of Adrianople has issued a proclamation warning residents to husband their food owing to the possibility of investment of the town. He advises those able to leave to do so. The Turkish government tomorrow will issue a proclamation to the people in the eastern provinces in the shape of a reply to King Ferdinand's message, enjoining Moslems to good behavior and assuring Christians that they have nothing to fear provided they remain loyal. It is asserted that in the fighting around Elassona the Greeks lost 1,500 killed.

FOR A DEMOCRATIC SENATE.

Vigorous Fight Planned by Present Minority in Upper House.

New York, October 21.—Democrats will make a vigorous campaign to obtain a majority in the United States Senate, where they now lack six votes of having command. Departure of Chairman McCombs of the Democratic executive committee, for Chicago, where today he conferred with party leaders, is believed to mark the beginning of the most strenuous part of this fight. There are Senatorial vacancies in Colorado, Illinois and Idaho, the last named caused by the recent death of Senator Heyburn.

Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, chairman of the Democratic campaign committee, will reach New York Wednesday and then will send Governor Shafroth, of Colorado, and former Governor Thomas, of the same State, into Ohio to get into the Senatorial fight. Democrats now have forty-three seats in the Senate.

ELECTION EXCITES CUBANS.

President Chosen November 1—Gomez not a Candidate.

Washington, Oct. 21.—The State department was advised today that great excitement prevails throughout Cuba over the Presidential election, which will take place November 1. It is understood Gen. Montegudo, chief of police of Havana, and the ministers of justice, public instruction, and interior, have resigned, although only the resignation of the minister of the interior has been accepted.

The leading candidates for the Presidency are Dr. Alfredo Zayas, the present Vice President, Liberal, and Major Gen. Mario Menocal, Conservative. President Gomez is not a candidate for re-election.

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