

CARRANZA AGAIN CONTROLS CAPITAL

Army of General Obregon Marches Into Mexico City with Practically No Opposition.

SNIPERS SHOOT AT LEADERS

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 29.—The capital today is again in the hands of the forces of General Carranza, who, while acting as the provisional president of the government, was forced to leave Mexico City early in November under the threat of the advancing troops of Generals Villa and Zapata, who disagreed with his policies. The new authorities have re-established order and a general feeling of confidence prevails.

It has been established that the shooting which occurred in the main plaza, before the national palace when General Alvaro Obregon, at the head of the Carranza forces, reached that place yesterday afternoon, was done by snipers who were hidden on the roof of the cathedral. Speaking of the incident today, General Obregon said that the shots were undoubtedly directed towards him and that it was an attempted assassination. The perpetrators have not been captured. Three soldiers were killed and a number wounded during the firing.

All snipers are supposed as the result of an order by the authorities, but the commercial houses and hotels have declared that they will resume business immediately.

Late yesterday afternoon and in the early evening 3,000 additional Carranza troops consisting of three branches of arms, entered the capital and marched to the quarters selected for them by General Obregon.

The Zapatista troops, who left the city on the appearance of General Obregon and his forces, have retreated to the southward.

Carranza Will Return soon.

General Venustiano Carranza, the first chief of the constitutionalists, will, according to Vera Cruz advices, return to the capital immediately and it is probable that he will re-establish his government there in the near future. This is the second time that General Carranza has been in power in the Mexican capital. He first entered the place on August 20 last following the retirement of General Victoriano Huerta, having the entire constitutionalist force as his support.

For a time peace reigned and old disputes between Carranza and General Francisco Villa, the chief military leader. Officially it was said that the difficulty arose from questions of policy, but the Carranza followers laid it to the alleged ambition of Villa to assume the reins of government.

General Villa, as the dispute continued, finally issued an ultimatum that Carranza must retire and a convention of all the revolutionary chiefs was called to meet at Aguascalientes on October 19 to decide upon the best way in the establishing of a government. The majority sentiment favored Villa and Carranza was asked to resign, but he refused to give up control of the government.

Early in November the convention proclaimed General Eulalio Gutierrez provisional president of the republic and Villa took steps to install him in office. Villa began a march on the capital, but before he reached there, Carranza, seeing he was outnumbered, left Mexico City, taking his forces towards Vera Cruz, which he occupied when the Americans evacuated the place on November 22.

Since then Gutierrez himself was fled, owing, it is said, to fear of Villa. He was succeeded by Roque Gomez Garza, who left the capital January 27, on the approach of General Obregon and the Carranza forces. General Villa, having previously marched to the north with his troops.

General Villa's reasons for abandoning the capital are not definitely known; in some quarters it was said that he was not desirous of being trapped up in the capital by General Obregon's troops, whose army had assumed a formidable strength, while other reports had it that Villa was obtaining a new republic with its seat of government in the north.

TOO MANY PAGES AND DOORKEEPERS

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"The senate has, I believe, seven pages and two telephone messengers. The telephone is in the cloak room, just by the senate. Here are nine—one to every six senators. Are they really needed?"

Too Many Committee Clerks.

"Is it not a fact that the law provides only for committee clerks? Is there any provision in the law for a clerk to each senator? Has not the senate provided each senator with a clerk? This is simply an oversight of the law which anyone may make, and the following of a custom. There are forty-six committees, and is it not a fact that at least twenty of them will not have occasion to meet, on an average, five times during the session? Is it not a fact that the large number of committees were originally created to give place for as many clerks as possible? If the clerks employed were restricted to committee clerks and to committee work, as the law provides, would not twenty-five in place of fifty be all that could possibly be given work? If there were not a clerk to each of the forty-six committees, to do committee work, is it not apparent that at least twenty or more of them would be idle three-fourths of the time or more?"

"Is it not a fact that many more than half of the clerks have no employment more than half the time, even when the senate is not in session? Is it not the experience of senators that many of the clerks are often absent from the capitol because they are not needed? On investigation you may be able to answer these and other questions directly, but do you not find that they state substantially the facts? Are not doorkeepers, clerks, janitors and even pages given places for political reasons?"

Question Up to Senate.

"After your investigation will you kindly report whether you would organize your own business in any such line or if the senate were a business corporation

would you stand for an organization along such lines?"

"Senators, it is very unpleasant, indeed, for me to have to submit the foregoing. The senate resolved that I should do so and I come in obedience to its command. I have only complied with the senate's request. I beg to assure you of my high regard for every senator and to assure you that I greatly desire to co-operate with the general assembly in placing every department of the government beyond all just criticism. I beg to ask that your communication and this compliance with its request be printed in the senate journal."

TEUTON FORCES PUSHING TOWARD ROUMANIA LINE

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agement, both the Austrians and the Russians claiming local successes.

Approaches Critical Stage.

It is believed in London that the struggle may be expected soon to enter upon a critical stage both in the east and west. British military observers have expressed the opinion that Germany still is keeping a preponderance of its forces in the western theater of the war, where the allies should expect another great offensive movement.

The German tactics of the last few days at various points on the western front seem to have cost them heavily and to have brought them little gain, judging by the official reports given out in Paris and published prominently in London today. It is thought here that the next development may be a concentrated blow at some strategic point.

Turks Marooned in Desert.

So far as news is concerned, the Turks, supposed to be advancing into Egypt, are marooned somewhere on the sands of the desert. Not one word has been heard of them since the announcement three days ago of their presence to the eastward of El Kanfara and no further clashes with British outposts have been reported.

A message from Vienna by way of Venice says there is a growing popular demand in Austria that the government follow the example of Germany and take

over the control of all the grain and flour in the market.

From Petrograd comes the news that Emperor Nicholas has approved an appropriation of \$2,750,000 for the immediate construction of a government railroad from Petrozavodsk, 188 miles northeast of Petrograd, to the White sea. This would make a second line of communication with the outside world through this region, the other being to Archangel.

New Haven Drops to New Low Record

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Shares of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad fell to the lowest price in the history of the company on the Stock exchange this afternoon. They declined to 49¢ against the low price of 64¢ during the company's troubles with the government authorities last year. The stock closed yesterday at 53¢. Wall street had no current explanation to offer for the sudden break.

DEATH RECORD

Robert R. Douglas. CLARKS, Neb., Jan. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—The funeral of Robert R. Douglas, who died Tuesday morning, was held from St. Peter's Catholic church yesterday. Father O'Connor of Central City officiated. Mr. Douglas has been a resident of Clark for the last twenty years. He was appointed to a postmastership at this place in 1908 by President Roosevelt and held that office until January, 1914. He is survived by his wife and one son, Dr. R. R. Douglas, of this place.

Washington Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Edwin K. Over was appointed rural letter carrier at Herrick, S. D. Washington G. Hartman, postmaster at Ward, Monroe county, Iowa, vice G. W. Hartman. Postmasters re-appointed: Iowa, Monroe county, Thomas L. Evans; South Dakota, Capital Pennington county, Joseph E. Sanders; Manila, Blaine county, W. S. Shoun; Nemo, Lawrence county, Pardon K. Edwards; Tiford, Heade county, O'Dillon Lorawan. On the recommendation of Democratic Committee Turbman, Dr. W. R. Ball has been appointed pension surgeon at Mitchell, S. D.

REYNOLDS HAS POWER BILL

Measure Would Give Cities Right to Develop and Sell to Public Corporations.

IRRIGATION BOARD REPORTS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Representative Reynolds of Red Willow is the author of a bill known as H. R. 59, which will if it becomes a law, give counties, cities, villages, precincts and townships the right to form districts for developing water power and distributing electricity for commercial and public purposes.

The bill gives the State Board of Irrigation authority to investigate the proposition and report upon its feasibility. If the proposition looks good, upon a petition of 5 per cent of the legal voters within the district an election shall be called.

The general plan of the bill is that counties, cities and other subdivisions may go in together and develop water power, which shall be sold as a wholesale commodity to the different public corporations within the district and at retail to farmers and other consumers outside of municipal limits.

JASON ON WAY HOME WITH PANAMA EXHIBITS

GENOA, Italy, Jan. 28.—The American government ship Jason arrived here today. It is loaded with exhibits for the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, which it gathered at French Mediterranean ports. It will leave here tomorrow.

HOUSTON OIL MAN WHO KILLED WIFE DIES OF POISON

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 29.—Ward Snyder, the oil man, who killed his wife, Lorena Bernhardt Snyder, in a sanitarium here yesterday, died early today from poison he swallowed after the crime. Snyder was the son of N. S. Snyder, a Pittsburgh, Pa., capitalist and oil man.

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\$1.50 Men's Sweaters, at 50¢ \$3.50 Men's Sweaters, at \$1.75 \$1.75 Men's Sweaters, at \$1.00 \$4.00 Men's Sweaters, at \$2.25 \$2.50 Men's Sweaters, at \$1.25 \$5.00 Men's Sweaters, at \$3.45

Men's Gloves, 75c to \$4.00 values, Saturday, at 35¢ to \$2.25

\$1.00 Men's Heavy Ribbed Ecu Union Suits, Saturday, 69c

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Men's Hats Greatly Reduced

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Children's \$1.50 to \$4.00 Sweaters.....75c to \$2.00
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