

MENACE VERA CRUZ

MOVEMENTS OF THE MEXICAN TROOPS INDICATE CHANGE WILL BE MADE SHORTLY.

FOREIGNERS ARE IN TANGLE

Refugees Forced to Land From Ship at Tampico by Constitutionalists—Federals Blow Up Bridge—Peace Delegates Sail.

Vera Cruz, May 19.—Activity of Mexican forces beyond the American lines increased during Sunday. Refugees appeared within the American lines and declared that Mexican cavalry was approaching from the northeast. The refugees expressed the opinion that the Mexicans were preparing to attack the city.

Herr Everbusch, German consul at Tampico, was assaulted by a rebel colonel, a member of General Caballero's staff, while attempting to arrange for the departure of 140 refugees aboard the Hamburg-American liner Ypiranga.

It was believed the rebels wanted an excuse to seize the arms and ammunition aboard the Ypiranga, which were not delivered to Huerta.

Washington, May 19.—President Huerta's elimination from power in Mexico through his own delegates to the mediation conference in Niagara Falls was deemed a certainty after the delegates had explained their attitude to personal friends and departed for New York on the way to the peace meeting, which will be opened Wednesday.

It became clear that the conference would deal not only with the "Tampico incident," but with the internal war of Mexico, and that the establishment of peace, with perhaps a constitutionalist in the provisional presidency, although neither Carranza nor Villa, would be the chief object of the conference.

The chief military development of Sunday was a report from General Funston that the San Francisco bridge on the International railroad, 23 miles from Vera Cruz, had been destroyed by Mexican federals.

uation that disturbed officials for a time. First came the postponement of the mediation conference at Niagara Falls, Ont., from next Monday to May 20. Speculation as to possible significance in the delay was allayed later by the announcement that the mediators had acted merely on a request of the Huerta delegates, now on the way to Washington, for time to rest after reaching Niagara Falls.

The holding of five men reputed to be South Americans for trial at Vera Cruz as "snipers" promised to give the mediators a problem. General Funston and Rear Admiral Badger reported, however, that investigation disclosed that one prisoner who said he was a Chilean, was a Mexican and that the four others "probably were Mexicans."

Secretary Garrison said at night the five "snipers" had been ordered released by him after conferring with the president.

Meantime John R. Silliman, American vice-consul at Saltillo, who was arrested by Mexican federal officials and for whose safety there had been grave fears, was on the way to Mexico City, said a cablegram sent to Ambassador Spring-Rice by Lionel Carden, British minister in Mexico City.

Galveston, Tex., May 18.—Six army transports are waiting to carry troops, horses and supplies to Vera Cruz. That the army is preparing for a possible campaign through the Mexican mountain passes, where the nights are cold, was indicated when hundreds of boxes containing hoodless overcoats were unloaded on Friday from freight cars to the government piers. They will be sent to Mexico if a move is made toward Mexico City.

Vera Cruz, May 18.—Brigadier Eduardo Ocaranza, with the Mexican federal forces of his command, has evacuated Tuxpam, and the richest petroleum fields of the state of Vera Cruz and all those of the state of Tamaulipas are in the hands of the rebels.

The evacuation of Tuxpam by General Ocaranza occurred without a fight. The rebels met with no resistance there.

REFUGEES SEEK FEDERAL PROTECTION



These Mexicans are fleeing from Vera Cruz and its vicinity to seek in the federal lines the protection they fear will not be given them by the Americans.

JAIL FOR LABOR MEN TEN DEAD; 4 INJURED

FEDERAL COURT AT CHICAGO RULES AGAINST 24 IRON WORKERS.

A. J. Statton, a Washington newspaper photographer, has been released by the Mexicans after three days' imprisonment at Cordoba, during which he was subjected to a severe cross-examination in order to make him confess that he was a spy.

A party of 40 American and 80 Mexican refugees, who reached here from the capital on Friday, reported that conditions there had not undergone any material change. In spite of the efforts of the American authorities to get all Americans out of Mexico there are still about one thousand in the capital, who appear determined to remain there.

Refugees foreshadow the approach of a critical moment in the capital. British subjects from the interior, it is stated, have been gathered in the concentration districts in the foreign residential quarters of Mexico City, where it was determined long ago they would protect themselves against whatever arose.

More British nationals are reported arriving by every train, while others are hastening toward the coast. The German and Austrian defense organizations is also ready to stand a siege, and those nationals, according to report, are being gathered.

MUST BE ABODE OF CLEANLINESS

IS NO PLACE FOR "PUSSY" OR "ROVER."

GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Furring old Pussy, who has long held forth under restaurant stoves or around bakery kitchens, will have to go.

"The clothing and person of those who come in contact with or handle food, must be clean at all times, and such persons must wash their hands thoroughly before beginning work each day and after handling any article which is unclean."

Four of Those Hurt in Serious Condition—Cause of Explosion a Mystery.

Detroit, May 18.—Ten men were killed, another man is dying and three more were thought to be fatally injured as the result of the terrific explosion which wrecked the plant of the Mexican Crude Rubber company in the west part of the city Friday.

At first it was reported gasoline was responsible for the accident. Later it was said that sulphuric acid was probably the cause.

Edwardsville, Ill., May 18.—Three persons were killed at Kaufmann, Ill., a village near here, when a Clover Leaf passenger train known as the "Commercial Traveler" struck an automobile.

Millinery for the Small Girl



ABOUT the most durable and among for little girls, are hats of fine millan. Great numbers of them have been made this season, trimmed in practical and attractive ways with plain or figured ribbons, silk covered buttons and rings, silk tassels, flat braided flowers and other novelties suited to juvenile millinery.

Three small silk-covered buttons are added, by way of finish, set on the pointed loop. In the center figure the ribbon is put on in a sash about the crown with a flat shirred rosette applied on the side crown.

For the Afternoon Tea and Dance



Plaited maline about the neck and a little vest of lace at the front. The waist, below the two buttons at the neck, opens in two small revers faced with moire, and the lace fills in the opening.

The skirt is made with a tunic over a shaped flounce that hangs longer in the back than in front. A wreath of very small blossoms and a single half-blown rose with foliage provide the hat with a bit of lively color.

800,000 Fire Kills Man.

Burglars Hanged.

Owner Closes an Iowa Bank.

Train Hits Auto; One Dead.

Couple Found Asphyxiated.

Ask \$50,000 for Medicine.

Wilson Informs Gov. Ammons United States Troops Cannot Be Used Indefinitely.

Denver, Colo., May 19.—President Wilson served warning on Governor Ammons on Saturday that the state of Colorado must be prepared to maintain peace in the coal mine strike districts without federal aid.