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DIAZ QUILTS MEXICO

CLOSELY MUFFLED HE IS TAKEN TO VERA CRUZ—SPAIN HIS OBJECTIVE POINT.

DEPARTURE KEPT A SECRET

Deposed Executive Embarks on Steamer Bound for Spain—De La Barra Inaugurated Provisional President—City Quiet the Entire Day.

Mexico City.—Porfirio Diaz, for whom during thirty years all Mexico has paid deference, secretly left the capital at 2 o'clock Friday morning. Only a few friends, whom he trusted, followed him to the station. He was bound to Vera Cruz to take a ship to Spain. In the distance he could hear voices of enthusiastic celebrants, who were acclaiming the new president, "Francisco Leon De la Barra, and "Viva Madero."

Carefully were the arrangements made for his departure that details could not be confirmed until that afternoon. Secrecy was due less to apprehension of a popular outburst here than to a desire to reach Vera Cruz without the fact being known to marauding bands along the route. Travel between here and the seaport is usually over the Mexican railroad, a standard gauge line, with modern equipment. Rails along this route frequently have been removed of late by bandits who were determined that Diaz, for reasons best known to themselves, should not reach the capital. They are reported to have harbored the idea that Diaz would follow the precedent of other Latin-American residents and carry the national funds with him.

UPSET BY GHASTLY JOKE.

Students Place Naked Corpse on Piano Stool in College Chapel.

Alfred, N. Y.—The placing of a naked human corpse on a piano stool in the chapel of Alfred university so upset the faculty and student body that the program prepared for the last day of the college year had to be postponed. Students are suspected of the deed. For several days the students had been in a sullen mood over the suspension of the entire baseball team, which played a game recently without permission.

A raid was made on an undertaking room in the town and a body was carried away. The corpse, nude, was placed in a sitting posture on the piano stool and was discovered by Prof. Annas, of the music department.

Steel Products Prices Cut.

New York.—Price cutting of steel products, following the lead of the Republic Iron and Steel company, continued Friday. The Illinois Steel company reduced its stock prices on steel bars 10 cents per hundred pounds. The new prices apply only to the Chicago district.

Barn and Contents Burn.

Randolph, Neb.—The barn of John Voss, southwest of Randolph, burned to the ground, together with two horses and a quantity of hay and grain. The loss was partially covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Retired Army Officer Dead.

San Antonio, Tex.—Brig. Gen. John L. Bullis, U. S. A., retired, died here of apoplexy, aged 70 years. Gen. Bullis was with Gen. Nelson A. Miles when he captured Geronimo.

King George a Field Marshal.

Berlin.—It has been announced that Emperor William, while at Buckingham palace on May 16, had appointed King George a general field marshal in the Prussian army.

Succumbs to Her Injuries.

London.—Mrs. Sybill Bernby, a sister of Baron Delamere, who was injured by a fall from a third story window of her house two weeks ago, died here.

Population of Ireland.

London.—Ireland has a population of 4,381,951, according to the census returns. This is a decrease of 76,824 in ten years.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Sioux City, Io.—Friday's quotations on the local live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$5.50. Top hogs, \$5.95.

An Unusual Distinction.

Rolla, Mo.—Miss Eva Endurance Hirble, of St. Louis, has graduated with a class of thirty-five men in mining from the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy. She is believed to be the only woman who has ever received a diploma as a mining engineer.

Wealthy Contractor Dead.

Winnepeg, Man.—Israel M. Ross, a millionaire railway contractor, who with Donald Grant built many railroads in western America, died here, aged 70 years.

DIAZ RESIGNS POST

IN BITTER NOTE HE GIVES UP PRESIDENCY OF MEXICO.

DE LA BARRA TAKES OATH

Retiring Executive Expresses Hope That Passions Which Caused His Abdication Will Be Calmed—Mobs Frenzied With Joy at Freedom.

Mexico City.—President Diaz, in a letter bitter in its inferences, resigned the presidency of the republic of Mexico, and the acceptance of his resignation by the chamber of deputies was announced.

As the "Gray Eagle of Mexico" lay helpless in bed the president of the chamber of deputies, in a closed room with armed guards at the doors and a great impatient throng awaiting outside, slowly read his resignation.

No cheers from the deputies, only a solemn, impressive quiet greeted the reading of this document.

"President Porfirio Diaz is dead! Long live Citizen Porfirio Diaz!" dramatically spoke Deputy Jose Aspe. His was the only address that followed the reading of the resignation.

The speaker admitted that General Diaz had been called to account for his errors by a people who had progressed faster than the author of their progress had realized, but he declared the good that General Diaz had done his country would live forever in history and outweigh his mistakes.

The resignation of Vice-President Ramon Corral was also read. In the yellow room of the national palace, not far from the chamber in which Citizen Porfirio Diaz lies ill, Minister de la Barra took the oath of office as provisional president of Mexico.

He acknowledged his elevation to that high office in an open letter to the Mexican people. In it he declares he will not be a candidate for either president or vice-president when a general election is called.

The entire cabinet resigned, a corollary to the retirement of General Diaz, and as such excited little interest.

Great throngs, anticipating that Diaz would abdicate, gathered around the national palace. It was a grim-faced, solemn, determined, quiet crowd. It filled the plaza and the side streets leading up to it and would have jammed the palace itself had not mounted police and soldiers with guns blocked the way. When the announcement was made by the clanging cathedral bells and two cannon shots that Diaz had resigned the crowd gave one mighty cheer and then all was quiet once more.

To prove, even beyond the resignation of President Diaz, that it is acting in good faith, the federal government has given complete charge of all troops in Mexico City to Alfredo Robles Dominguez, the personal representative of Gen. Francisco I. Madero. The garrison is instructed to make no move without first consulting him.

The letter of resignation which was delivered to the president of the chamber of deputies read as follows:

"Sir—The Mexican people, who generously have covered me with honors, who proclaimed me as their leader during the international war, who patriotically assisted me in all works undertaken to develop industry and the commerce of the republic, establish its credit, gain for it the respect of the world and obtain for it an honorable position in the concert of nations; that same people, sir, has revolted in armed military bands, stating that my presence in the exercise of the supreme executive power is the cause of this insurrection.

"I do not know of any fact imputable to me which could have caused this social phenomenon, but permitting, though not admitting, that I may be unwittingly culpable, such a possibility makes me the least able to reason out and decide my own culpability.

Therefore, respecting, as I have always respected, the will of the people, and in accordance with article 82 of the federal constitution, I come before the supreme representatives of the nation in order to resign, unreserved, the office of international president of the republic with which the national vote honored me, which I do with all the more reason since, in order to continue in office it would be necessary to shed Mexican blood, endangering the credit of the country, dissipating its wealth, exhausting its resources and exposing its policy to international complications.

"I hope, gentlemen, that when the passions which are inherent to all revolutions have been calmed, a more conscientious and justified study will bring out in the national mind a correct acknowledgment, which will allow me to die, carrying engraved in my soul a just impression of the estimation of my life, which throughout I have devoted and will devote, to my countrymen. With all respect.

"PORFIRIO DIAZ."

Theater Man Guilty.

St. Louis.—William Garen, former manager of Havlin's theater, pleaded guilty to embezzling \$22,000 of the theater's funds, and was sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary, but was paroled.

Mother and Son Lynched.

Okema, Okla.—Laura Nelson, negro, and her son, sixteen years old, were lynched here. They shot Deputy Sheriff George H. Loney, who tried to search their shanty for stolen goods.

MEXICO'S NEW PRESIDENT



F. L. DE LA BARRA.

HARLAN SEES PERIL

SAYS COLLEAGUES ON SUPREME COURT TELL STANDARD IT MAY MAKE NEW PACT.

PREDICTS MUCH LITIGATION

Formal Dissenting Ruling Declares Business May Be Brought Near Chaos—Censures Tribunal for Permitting New Arguments.

Washington.—Associate Justice John M. Harlan, in his formal dissenting opinion, filed here, characterized the assenting opinion given in the Standard Oil case as "a blow at the integrity of our government system that in the end will prove most dangerous to all."

"The disposition of the case under consideration, according to the views of the defendants, will, it is claimed, quiet and give rest to the business of the country." On the contrary, I have a strong conviction that it will throw the business of the country into confusion and invite widely extended and harassing litigation, the injurious effects of which will be felt for many years to come. When congress prohibited every contract, combination or monopoly restraint of commerce it prescribed a simple, definite rule that all could understand and could be easily applied by everyone wishing to obey the law and not to conduct their business in violation of law.

"But now it is to be feared we are to have, in cases without number, the constantly recurring inquiry—difficult to solve by proofs—whether the particular contract, combination or trust involved in each case is or is not an 'unreasonable' or 'undue' restraint of trade."

"There are some who say that it is a part of one's liberty to conduct commerce among the states without being subject to governmental authority. But that would not be liberty, regulated by law, and liberty which cannot be regulated by law is not to be desired. The supreme law of the land, which is binding alike upon all—upon presidents, congress, the courts and people—gives to congress, and to congress alone, authority to regulate interstate commerce, and when congress forbids any restraint of such commerce in any form all must obey its mandate. To overreach the action of congress merely by judicial construction, that is, by indirectness, is a blow at the integrity of our governmental system, and in the end will prove most dangerous to all."

Submits New Trust Bill.

Washington.—A bill declaring "every contract, conspiracy or combination in restraint of trade" illegal and imposing heavy penalties on officers connected with them and branding violations as felonies has been introduced by Representative Smith of Illinois.

\$100,000 to Children.

Paris.—The will of Georges Eugene Berlin, who died at Tunis December 22 last, bequeaths \$100,000 to the Children's Seashore house of New Jersey.

SEEK LORIMER QUIZ

DILLINGHAM INTRODUCES RESOLUTION FOR FULL INQUIRY.

La Follette in Address Reviews Case, Declares Delay Brought Opprobrium on Senate.

Washington.—A resolution calling for a prompt inquiry into the charges against Senator Lorimer of Illinois, was introduced in the senate by Senator Dillingham, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections. The Democratic senators will support the resolution.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Dillingham in recognition of the resolution adopted by the state senate of Illinois calling upon the federal senate to take action. After quoting the request of the Illinois upper house in full the Dillingham resolution provides for a full investigation by the committee on privileges and elections or a subcommittee, with special instructions to ascertain whether corrupt practices or methods were adopted by any person, firm or corporation with reference to the election.

Senator La Follette first discussed representative government. He said the government was representative as long as senators obeyed the popular will and were elected without the interposition of any outside power. He asked senators to conceive a man holding such a trust sitting silently by with his title tainted. He said the delay by Senator Lorimer had brought great opprobrium on the senate itself. Senator La Follette attacked the senate system of courtesy as helping to veil and undermine representative government. He said the system excused and palliated violations of the high principles which senators brought from home. He said there was some purpose behind it, and that, moreover, he could not understand how Senator Lorimer could rest under the charges against him.

NAME 50 MORE DEPOSITORIES

Total Number of Postal Banks Designated by Postmaster General to Date 276.

Washington.—Fifty additional postal depositories were designated by Postmaster General Hitchcock, making the total number announced to this date 276. The depositories designated today, all second class, will begin operations on June 25, 1911. Among them are Kewanee, Ill.; St. Charles, Ill.; Harlan, Ia.; Wyandotte, Mich.; Negaunee, Mich.; Cloquet, Minn.; Stoughton, Wis.; Antigo, Wis.; Merrill, Wis.

Reinstates Expelled Students.

Ada, O.—Four of the nine students who were expelled from the Ohio Northern university because of a prize fight, were reinstated by President A. E. Smith, following a strike of 800 students. He announced that the other five would not be reinstated.

Direct Vote on June 12.

Washington.—By unanimous consent, Senator Borah got the consent of the senate to have a final vote on the resolution for the direct election of United States senators on June 12.

DENY PARDON PLEAS

TAFT REFUSES TO FREE WALSH AND MORSE FROM PRISON.

Declares Men Guilty of Breach of Trust Must Be Punished Under the National Banking Act.

Washington.—The petitions for pardons of John R. Walsh and Charles V. Morse of New York, both serving sentences in the federal prison for violating the banking laws, were denied by President Taft.

Walsh is now confined in the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan. On January 19, 1910, he began serving a five-year sentence and, under the provisions of the new parole law, he will be eligible for freedom in the middle of September of this year.

The decisions were handed down by the president and followed a lengthy conference with Attorney General Wickersham. In both cases he followed the recommendations of the attorney general.

President Taft's action in the Walsh case was based strictly on a close analysis of the facts contained in the records. Declaring that a man who uses the funds of a bank to promote his private interests in such a manner that he is guilty of a fraudulent breach of trust must be punished under the national banking act, the president swept aside the reasons advanced by Walsh and the thousands who petitioned for his pardon.

In denying the application of Charles V. Morse, who is now serving a sentence of 15 years in the penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., where he was sent on January 3, 1910, the president characterizes his request as premature, and accordingly he gives the New York banker the privilege of renewing it after January 1, 1913.

The president denies Morse's application for the same reason given in the Walsh case, after declaring that "the methods taken by Morse tend to show that more keenly than Walsh did he realize the evil of what he was doing."

HINES IN GENERAL DENIAL

Tells Lumbermen's Association He Is Not Guilty of Charges Made in Lorimer Case.

Chicago.—"I absolutely and unqualifiedly deny these charges. I have no apology to make for my conduct. At the proper time and in the proper procedure I shall vindicate myself and confound my traducers."

In those words Edward Hines, millionaire lumberman, made a voluntary defense against the charges that he "put Lorimer over" at a cost of \$100,000. He spoke as he opened the ninth annual convention of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association in the Congress hotel.

Of the 200 or more lumbermen present more than half applauded vigorously when the president made his statement, which was not a part of the set annual address he had prepared.

Mr. Hines said that at some time in the future he would insist on a full and thorough investigation before a tribunal that "will not be a mere tool of politics and a grotesque travesty on justice and on law."

NEW BATTLESHIP IS AFLOAT

Dreadnought Wyoming Is Launched at Philadelphia and Is Christened by Miss Dorothy Knight.

Philadelphia.—The United States battleship Wyoming, unsurpassed by any fighting vessel in the world, was launched at the Cramp shipyards, and as she slid down the ways into the water Miss Dorothy Knight, daughter of former Supreme Court Justice Jesse Knight of Wyoming, hurled a magnum of Champagne at the bow and cried: "Go, brave ship: I christen thee Wyoming."

Standing with Miss Knight were dignitaries from Washington, a scattering of society folk from Philadelphia and Philadelphia, and representatives of the state of Wyoming and other states in the Union.

KIDNAPERS SENT TO PRISON

Men Who Stole Rogers Baby in Las Vegas, N. M., Are Given Heavy Penalties.

Las Vegas, N. M.—Judge J. C. Roberts of the district court pronounced sentence on Will Rogers and Joe Wiggins, confessed kidnapers of Baby Waldo Rogers on March 29 last. Rogers received five to twelve years in the penitentiary and Wiggins seven to twelve years.

Senate After Oil Heads.

Washington.—Information as to what steps had been taken for the criminal prosecution of the officers of the Standard Oil company under the recent decision of the Supreme court was demanded of the attorney general by the senate, which adopted without debate a resolution of inquiry offered by Senator Pomerene.

Britons Beat Belgian Crew.

Ghent, Belgium.—The eight-oared race between the Ghent Rowing club and Jesus college, Cambridge, on the Terneuzen canal, resulted in a victory for the Englishmen. The distance was one mile and 555 yards.

Wills Liquors to Son.

Boston.—Mrs. Grace R. Shaw, a prominent Boston woman, in a will filed for probate here, bequeaths her stock of wines and other liquors and her clothes to her son, and \$35,000 to Harvard university.



Banking Board Prepares to Enforce Guaranty Law.

State banks which are instructed to report their average deposits for a period of six months so that the amount of their assessment under the guaranty of deposits law may be made have in many instances applied to Secretary Royster for further information. Mr. Royster has replied that nothing must be deducted from the deposits except deposits otherwise secured, and to include in deposits the amount due from other banks, also time and demand certificates of deposit, certified checks and cashier's checks. Mr. Royster has no accurate record of the number of banks that have nationalized since the guaranty of deposits act was held valid by the United States supreme court in January, but he believes the number is about twenty. Ten banks have nationalized since April 10. The latest to apply for a national bank charter are the Brunswick bank and the Farmers' State bank of Osmond, each having a capital stock of \$25,000 as state banks.

New Game Laws.

Chief Game Warden Henry N. Miller has received printed copies of the amended game laws of Nebraska and will send a supply to county clerks and to citizens who ask for them. Some important changes were made in the game laws by the last legislature and all who hunt or fish usually desire to keep within the law. One of the most important changes was a law requiring the taking out of a license by all who hunt or fish, regardless of whether they hunt or fish outside of the county of their residence. Persons may hunt or fish on their own lands without a license and all female persons and boys under eighteen years may hunt without a license if accompanied by guardian or parents. Chief Warden Miller desires all persons who report violations of the law to sign their names and such communications will be treated in confidence. For information in regard to fish for propagation, people may address W. J. O'Brien, superintendent of the state fish hatcheries, Gretna.

Had a Strenuous Trip.

Governor Aldrich has returned from a strenuous trip and speechmaking tour. He first went to Kearney and after remaining over night reviewed the parade of old soldiers at the annual encampment of the G. A. R. at 9 o'clock in the morning. There were 350 veterans and 1,300 children in the parade. Governor Aldrich reviewed the parade and delivered an address.

Exonerate Asylum Officers.

A coroner's jury, sitting in the case of Charles Brookman, an insane patient, who was killed late Saturday night by Martin Skow, another insane patient, brought in a verdict that Brookman had come to his death at the hands of Skow and that the jury did not consider the asylum officials to blame, owing to the crowded condition of the institution.

Dr. Ludden Has Returned.

Dr. Luther P. Ludden has returned from a trip to Illinois and is again on duty as secretary of the state normal board. He delivered a dedicatory address at the Lutheran's orphan asylum at Nachusa, Ill. At Omaha he attended the eighteenth annual meeting of the Nebraska children's home finding society, and is the only surviving member of that society.

C. C. Husted of the governor's office, who has been ill for three months, is reported to be in a serious condition at his home, 2327 T street.

State Superintendent J. W. Crabtree has issued a directory of county superintendents, county institutes, junior normals and summer schools.

Adjutant General Phelps has decided to muster out the second regiment band at Kearney. The chief musician left that place one year ago and no one has been found to take his place.

Treasurer Buys More Bonds.

State Treasurer George has purchased \$7,000 worth of bonds for the permanent school fund, consisting of \$16,000 of Washington county school district No. 22, \$12,000 of Thayer county school district No. 22, \$10,000 of Bladen water bonds, \$4,000 of Bladen electric light bonds and \$25,000 of Chase county court house bonds.

Richard L. Metcalfe, associate editor of The Commoner, has accepted an invitation to be the orator in Tecumseh on July 4.

Two bronze cups, trophies for excellent marksmanship, have been received at the office of the adjutant general. One will be sent to Captain Iver S. Johnson of Stanton for rifle record in 1910 and the other to Captain Chris L. Anderson of Norfolk for the best revolver record during the 1910 competition.

State Auditor Barton has refused to renew the license of the Modern Brotherhood of America to do business in the state on account of the fact that they have scaled down many claims and have had more or less difficulty in settlement on death policies.