

HUERTA ASSUMES  
DICTATOR'S POWER

Following Arrest of 110 Mem-  
bers of Chamber of Deputies  
He Dissolves Mexican  
Congress.

DECLARES BODY OFFENSIVE

Asserting That Chaos Would  
Result from Its Course, He  
Nullifies All Its Acts  
and Orders a New  
Election.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]  
Mexico City, Oct. 11.—After provisional President Huerta had caused the arrest of 110 members of the Chamber of Deputies late last night for signing a resolution of warning to the President relative to the disappearance of Senator Elisario Domínguez, he published a decree formally dissolving Congress and declaring its acts null and void. Huerta thus makes himself virtually dictator of the Mexican Republic.

The Senate has voluntarily suspended its sessions, as it cannot sit legally without the Chamber of Deputies.

Huerta has issued a proclamation to the Mexican people defending his dissolution of Congress, in which he says that he assumed power with the determination to restore peace, but in his efforts he has met with implacable and systematic opposition from Congress.

If that opposition were united, he declares, he would gladly resign the Presidency, but the opposition springs from the most varied causes, as there is no union in Congress, and if that body had to name a President tomorrow its members would fight among themselves.

Huerta says the dissolution of Congress is the greatest sacrifice he has been called on to make, but he does not hesitate, because the act is for the good of the country. He refers to the Tamariz case and says the action of Congress in that instance was capricious.

He also refers to the fact that it meant that the Deputies had openly joined the revolutionists and others protected by privileges to conspire in the Capitol.

The climax was reached, Huerta says, in the Domínguez interpellation, which was offensive to the Executive because it imputed to him imaginary crimes and invaded the judicial province.

The President says the Chamber refused to withdraw its interpellation, and as the upshot of such conflicts would be chaos he decided to dissolve Congress. He hopes for the support of the people and calls on them to elect worthy representatives.

To do this Huerta proclaims a new election of Senators and Deputies, to be held on October 26, the date of the Presidential election.

Huerta Answers Deputies.

four when he was Minister of Finance under General Porfirio Díaz.

General Huerta charged that the investigation which the Deputies proposed to make was solely within the province of the judicial power. He called on them to withdraw the resolution warning him of their intention to dissolve the Congress and hold their sessions elsewhere.

Deputies Refuse Compliance.

The Deputies, who had listened sullenly to the reading of the reply, moved at its conclusion to refer the President's demand to committee, and a motion was put to adjourn.

Minister Aldape interposed an objection, saying that the President required immediate action; but the Deputies persisted in putting the motion to adjourn.

Thereupon the Minister of the Interior signalled to Chief of Police Chavez, who was stationed in the balcony. The chief went down to the floor of the chamber with 200 police.

Senator Aldape then read the names of the signers of the resolution, and as the names were called the Deputies were taken into custody.

Among the Deputies arrested are Rodolfo Reyes, a son of the late General Bernardo Reyes, and ex-Provisional Minister of Justice, and Jorge Vera Estanol, formerly Provisional Minister of Public Instruction. Nearly all the men imprisoned are members of the Liberal party.

Explained to Diplomats.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Señor Moheno, received the diplomatic corps this morning and informed its members of the reasons for the Executive dissolving Congress. All the foreign diplomats were present, including the American chargé, Mr. O'Shaughnessy.

Señor Moheno made a set speech, which was along the lines of Huerta's proclamation. He said the restoration of peace in Mexico interested all foreign nations, and Congress had been an obstacle in the way of peace. The Chamber's proposal to postpone the elections, he declared, was a deliberate ploy to discredit the government abroad, causing the impression that it would not fulfill its pledges.

Minister Moheno also referred to Mexico's difficulties owing to the heterogeneous population. He said the Indians were a dead weight. He asked that foreign nations bear these difficulties in mind and declared that Mexico was doing her best to solve them.

Sir Lionel Carden, the new British Minister, who was received by President Huerta this morning, has asked the government to retain at least five thousand soldiers in this city for the protection of foreigners. Sir Lionel has the support of the Spanish Minister and other diplomats.

The government promised consideration of the request.

The arrested Deputies continue in prison, but are well treated and said to be in no danger.

Disappearance of Domínguez.

The unexplained absence from his seat in the Senate and the disappearance from his residence at a local hotel of Senator Bellazero Domínguez, representing the State of Chiapas, was what brought on the heated debate in the Chamber of Deputies' secret session which resulted in the warning being conveyed to Huerta by unanimous vote that unless the Deputies were given assurances of their personal safety they would hold sessions elsewhere than in the Capitol.

A resolution was adopted informing the Executive that the Deputies placed their lives under his specific protection, and holding him responsible for the violation of immunity from arrest which the constitution gives to Senators and Deputies.

Extracts from Senator Domínguez's speech in the Senate which preceded his disappearance were called to The Tribune at the time. In addition to what was then reported, Dr. Domínguez openly laid the blame for Madero's death on Huerta.

Originally five typewritten copies of the speech were distributed, each bearing the request that the recipient would make five more copies and send to five friends with the same request, and so on in this way many copies were circulated. Dr. Domínguez, before delivering his speech, is said to have made his will.

OVERWORKING THE COURTS.

From The Cleveland Plain Dealer.  
Cook books are to be given with marriage licenses in Chicago hereafter. Divorce court judges ought to get an injunction.

HUERTA'S ARMY MEETS  
TWO SERIOUS DEFEATS

General Alvarez Beaten at Every  
Point by the Rebels After  
Leaving Torreón.

MEN IN PANIC AT LA LOMA

Federal Leader, with Handful  
of Officers, Made Last Stand  
at Aviles, Where All  
Were Shot to Death.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]  
Mexico City, Oct. 11.—Generals Bravo, Munguia and Escudero arrived in this city early this morning. Only Munguia is held as a prisoner for court martial for the loss of Torreón. Escudero was already under investigation for failure to hold Durango against the rebels, and was not responsible for what was done at Torreón.

Bravo was officially on the sick list. He said to-day that he had never been sick, but that he was reported to be so by Miguel Garza Aldape, jefe político of Torreón, and brother of the Minister of the Interior, who wanted to shelve him. Bravo declared that if he had been in command Torreón would not have been evacuated.

New details at hand magnify instead of diminish the importance of General Alvarez's defeat at La Loma, making it clear that the federals in this instance were not only outnumbered, but outgeneraled and outmaneuvered at every point by the rebels.

General Alvarez left Torreón in the direction of Durango with 400 men, two 75-millimeter cannon and one machine gun on September 26, at the same time General Emilio Campa was ordered to leave Ciudad Lerdo at the head of 100 federal irregulars, with two field pieces, to support Alvarez. It is clear that the operation was clumsily executed, the start in cutting off Alvarez's column from that of Campa and completely surrounding the former. Alvarez established his base at the Hacienda de Aviles, from which the rebels also cut him off.

Federals in a Panic.

The main action took place on September 28. The engagement opened with federal artillery fire, by which it was sought to protect the advance of infantry, but in the mean time word was brought to Alvarez that his rear, composed chiefly of cavalry, was being attacked.

At this point panic seized the federals and most of them fled, some hiding in cornfields and others swimming the Naves River. The cavalrymen, in attempting to ford the swollen river, were in danger of drowning. They had to dismount and struggle to the opposite bank, while their horses were carried downstream by the current.

Private soldiers of the federals caught by the rebels were simply disarmed, no further harm being done to them.

In the confusion Alvarez, with his staff, succeeded in reaching the Hacienda de Aviles. It seems that for the moment they were not recognized. During a momentary halt of Alvarez and his officers an automobile passed at full speed and the rebels shouted, "There goes Pancho Villa!"

When Alvarez thus learned that Villa, a famous bandit chief, was in command of the rebels he threw down his field glasses with the exclamation: "The devil take us!"

Last Stand by Alvarez.

Alvarez and a small group of officers and about forty soldiers made their last stand on the flat roof of the old hacienda building, at Aviles. Here they are said to have inflicted heavier losses on the enemy than in the battle at La Loma. About two hundred of Villa's men fell during the attack on the hacienda, but as the rebels used dynamite bombs they soon effected a breach in the massive walls of the old Spanish hacienda.

When Alvarez and his officers saw their position was no longer tenable they attempted to escape, but were surprised as they were crossing a corral and fell, riddled with bullets. Alvarez's body was hung up on a tree, where it still remains.

Those of Alvarez's officers who were not killed in the engagements at La Loma and Aviles, but made prisoners, were executed by the rebels.

Pancho Villa had under his personal command five thousand men, all uniformed, fed and equipped and paid in American money. It seems that the strength of Villa's force was exaggerated by fugitives from the La Loma fight arriving at Torreón. They reported that he had fifty thousand men. This appears to have had something to do with the evacuation of Torreón.

Failed to Aid Torreón.

Much surprise is expressed here at the failure of Generals Tracy Aubert and Ocaranza to do anything in aid of the Torreón garrison when they learned of Villa's proximity. Tracy Aubert was near San Pedro de Las Colonias with fifteen hundred men, and Ocaranza was in San Pedro with eight hundred more, yet instead of advancing toward Torreón they retreated to Hippolito.

Now that it is known that Villa was in command of the rebels who took Torreón, renewed fears are expressed for the few foreigners who remained there, as Villa is a bandit with a long and terrible criminal record.

The number of Spaniards reported to have lost their lives when Torreón was taken has dwindled to nine instead of sixty or seventy at first reported. A Mexican who asserts that he was present here to-day and says that altogether only thirteen persons were killed when the city was taken and that these included nine Spaniards and four Mexicans. They were shot for failing to deliver money and goods demanded by the rebels as "loans."

President Huerta appears to regard the loss of Torreón as of no particular moment from a military point of view. He declared to-day that it was the fortune of war and that the place would be quickly recovered by the federal troops. He admitted that the moral influence of the fall of Torreón was bad, since it might give the people of Mexico an unwarranted idea of the strength of the rebel forces. With the resources at the command of the government General Huerta asserted his confidence that it was only a matter of days for Torreón to be retaken and all the prestige of the federal troops regained. The President said he was able to send ten thousand men at once to combat the rebels.

FOR JOINT INTERVENTION  
France Believes It Will Be Proposed by Wilson.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]  
Paris, Oct. 11.—Owing to the discouraging news from Mexico, including sinister reports about President Huerta's kidnapping of Senator Domínguez and the arbitrary arrest of 110 recalcitrant Deputies, the belief is gaining ground here that President Wilson will soon make to England, France and Germany formal proposals in regard to what is confidentially asserted in diplomatic circles here as the President's favorite scheme for solving the Mexican problem.

This is said to be by joint naval military police operations to protect the lives and properties of foreign residents and restore order in Mexico on the same lines as the international intervention in China during the Boxer rebellion.

M. Pichon, Minister of Foreign Affairs, was the French Minister to China during the Boxer troubles, and took the initiative in bringing about the international military intervention which worked so successfully in China at that time and which is now under consideration for application in Mexico.

Washington Keeping Sharp Eye on Huerta

Officials Look for Serious Results from His Dictatorial Actions.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]  
Washington, Oct. 11.—Washington took the keenest interest in the situation in Mexico City to-day, and the administration is keeping a close watch for important developments. John Lind, the President's personal representative in Mexico, who has been in the city since he came to Mexico City at once, to keep the ground and thus better able to keep the President advised of what goes on.

No one in Washington is willing to make predictions as to what the outcome of the upheaval in Mexico's capital will be, but all agree that the situation has become gravely complicated and that developments of a serious nature are likely. Officials cannot see how Huerta's dictatorial action can do otherwise than strengthen the opposition against him and arouse hitherto quiescent elements to open opposition. The administration, generally speaking, considers that the action of Huerta demonstrates beyond all doubt that he is a dictator and that his latest step justifies the policy of this government in refusing to grant recognition to him.

Advices to the State Department say that in the turbulence that attended the dissolution of the Congress a petition was circulated calling on Huerta to resign, and that all the signers were arrested.

Secretary Bryan, who was at Knoxville, Tenn., to-day, was kept constantly advised of the developments. It was thought possible that he might hasten his return to Washington, reaching here to-morrow instead of Monday.

An investigation is being made of the report that several Spaniards were killed when the rebel forces occupied Torreón. The Spanish Minister in Mexico City has made earnest representations to the Mexican government, demanding that the State Department is somewhat concerned over the plight of about three hundred foreigners, many of them Americans, who are stranded somewhere between Torreón and Saltillo, on the way to Monterrey and the coast, or the Texas border. They left Torreón thirteen days ago and have not yet reached Saltillo, which, in ordinary circumstances, would be reached in a day or so. The refugees are without adequate food supplies. The movement of troops appears to interfere with the operation of their train.

The fall of Torreón and the events in Mexico City sent the stock of the Constitutionalists soaring, and representatives of the revolutionists in Washington confidently predict that it is the beginning of the end of Huerta.

A War Department telegram received to-day says that the rebels apparently are about to make an effort to recapture Piedras Negras.

No immediate action is contemplated by the administration in view of the new situation in Mexico City, and no special instructions have been sent to the American Embassy. It is recognized, however, that a situation has been created out of which may come events which will necessitate action.

SLAYS WIFE, THEN SELF

Husband Crazed by Jealousy—  
Son Finds Bodies.

[By Telegram to The Tribune.]  
Elizabeth, N. J., Oct. 11.—Julius Banner, forty-five years old, shot his wife, Henrietta, to death this afternoon and then killed himself at their home, No. 28 Conant street, here. Jealousy is believed to have been the cause. Their son Edwin, thirteen years old, found them lying in an attic room which Banner had occupied alone.

Mrs. Banner's mother, who lived with them, failed to hear the shots, as she is deaf. A revolver bullet entered Mrs. Banner's breast. Banner shot himself in the mouth, while two bullets which he had aimed at his wife went wild. A fifth was found in the revolver.

The scene of the tragedy is but a few blocks from where Mrs. Banner participated in the anniversary services at the First Baptist Church last night.

STANDARD OIL OUT \$200

Leaky Wagon, Small Boy,  
Match, Flames and Ashes.

[From The Tribune Correspondent.]  
Orange, N. J., Oct. 11.—The Standard Oil Company is \$200 poorer because of a prank played this afternoon by a small boy. A wagon belonging to the company was standing in North Jefferson street, this city, while the driver was in a house near by. A small boy, noticing oil leaking from the body of the wagon, put a match to it.

The vehicle was soon a mass of flames. Ralph O'Reilly cut the harness and released the horse in time to save the animal. The Fire Department was called out, but by the time it arrived the wagon was in ashes.

The small boy is still free.

M'CALL SPEECH WARNS  
REAL ESTATE OWNERS

"Confiscation Near," He Declares, Unless Mayor Says "Stop Now."

TAKES MITCHEL TO TASK

Says "I'm Opposed to Everything He Stands For"—Tammany Nominee Addresses Three Meetings in All.

Edward E. McCall, Democratic nominee for Mayor, spoke at three meetings last night, two of which were in Manhattan and one at College Point. In each case his speech was brief, and at only one meeting, at the Hotel Imperial, did he allow politics to enter into his discourse.

At the Hotel Imperial the Democratic candidate addressed the members of the United Real Estate Owners' Association, the occasion being the formal opening of the headquarters of that organization. Joseph S. Schwab presided as chairman, and the entrance of Mr. McCall was the signal for an enthusiastic demonstration on the part of the several hundred members present.

The Tammany nominee for Mayor began his address by saying that sometimes he feared to talk about taxation and real estate in this city, but he wished to warn the members of the association that they must keep a watch on conditions all the time unless they were prepared to hand over to the city all their real estate holdings.

Extravagance in the administration of civic affairs must cease, Mr. McCall said, and told his audience that if they allowed it to continue unchecked they must know where it will end.

"Unless the man at the head of the city government says 'Stop now' you must expect the check to strike 'confiscation' at any hour," continued Tammany's choice for Mayor.

Mr. McCall said that with the election of the entire Democratic ticket a period of retrenchment, reform and economy would follow, with consequent prosperity to the city.

In the Long Acre Building the Democratic nominee addressed about three hundred members of the Business and Professional Men's League, organized last night. He was scheduled to address the meeting at 10:30 o'clock, but did not put in appearance until 11:15 o'clock, and confined his address to a speech of less than five minutes.

He assured the members gathered in the room that he stood for sound, sane and safe government, and announced that he was "opposed to everything that John Purroy Mitchel stood for." He also said he would fight for "quiet and self-restraint, and yet for a living form of government." After a few more remarks in the same tenor, Mr. McCall said he was tired from his strenuous campaign and only wished to add that he hoped his audience would vote for the entire Democratic ticket.

Other speakers who addressed this meeting were Herman A. Metz, candidate for Controller; Dr. Thomas Darlington, candidate for President of the Borough of Manhattan; Maurice Delcher, candidate for Register; and George Gordon Battle, James J. Hoey acted as chairman of the meeting.

At College Point McCall was greeted by about five hundred men in Donnelly's Hall. College Point citizens had been engaged in an all-day celebration, concluding with a dinner in the hall, and the Democratic candidate was greeted with a great show of enthusiasm when he stepped upon the speakers' platform.

He gained the good will of his audience when he told them it would be his earnest endeavor in the event of his election to secure the opening of the Steinway tunnels at the earliest possible moment, and said it was an outrage that persons living in College Point did not have the benefits accruing from the use of these tunnels.

TO BE WIT FOR TAMMANY

Fire Commissioner Johnson to Edit "Daily McCall."

The secret of Fire Commissioner Johnson's connection with the headquarters of Judge McCall, the Tammany candidate for Mayor, became apparent yesterday. He is to edit "The Daily McCall," which appeared under the designation of "a tabloid chronicle of current political events."

"The strain of humor in 'Joe' Johnson has long been appreciated by those who know him best. Among the items that appeared in the first issue are the following: 'It is reported at the Custom House that Mr. John Ford Mitchell's resignation as Collector of the Port is attached to a ten-ton anchor.' 'The official Bull Moose emblem does not appear on the enrolment blank supplied to voters as they register.'—News Item.

"Horrors! Could the colonel have been so careless as to carry away the sacred emblem to South America as a talisman?" "Mr. Mitchell's lost voice is not regarded as a knock-out blow by fusion alternant candidates. They say he didn't lose it shouting for them."

HOUSEWARMING FOR DAM

New York Water Officials Inspect Ashokan Reservoir.

Kingston, N. Y., Oct. 11.—The officials of the New York Board of Water Supply and nearly five hundred employees and invited guests inspected the big Ashokan reservoir to-day.

After the inspection a dinner was served and speeches made. The officials made the trip from New York City by train to Brown's Station, where the celebration was held.

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MASS MEETING TO SHOW  
CONFIDENCE IN MITCHEL

Tammany Attack to Be Answered with Emphasis at Carnegie Hall Wednesday.

The fusion campaign committee will give its answers in Carnegie Hall on Wednesday night to the allegation of Tammany Hall that the business men have no confidence in John Purroy Mitchel and intend to support McCall. The answer will be in the form of a mass meeting under the auspices of the Mitchell Business Men's League.

Alfred E. Marling will be chairman, and in addition to Mr. Mitchel the speakers will be Controller Prudden, Borough President McAneny, Marcus M. Marks, Martin W. Littleton and Job E. Hodges. Among the vice-presidents of the meeting are Jacob H. Schiff, R. A. C. Smith, Charles Jerome Edwards, Henry Clews, Adolph Lewisohn, Cleveland H. Dodge, E. H. Outbridge, Henry R. Towne and Felix M. Warburg.

"The level headed people of the city will not believe that these men would support Mr. Mitchel if he were not known to be a thoroughly capable and trustworthy man for the office," said Robert Adamson, campaign manager. "Murphy's accelerated attempt to make it appear otherwise will not fool anybody. The voters know by this time how Murphy works through certain fake paper organizations."

"I notice that two 'taxpayers' organizations' with high sounding names called on Mr. McCall and assured him that business men would not trust Mr. Mitchel and wanted him for Mayor. The heads of these organizations are two of Mr. Murphy's most faithful hacks, and they never opposed a Murphy candidate in their lives. That is the sort of effort being made to make it appear that Murphy is the business man's ticket. The Tammany tiger cannot keep his face straight thinking of such a joke."

Philip J. McCook, nephew of General Anson McCook and president of the New York Young Republican Club, has been made chairman of the Marcus M. Marks Campaign Committee, with headquarters in the Fifth Avenue Building. The other officers are J. Gardiner Moses, vice-president; Edgar M. Millbank, treasurer, and Louis Schrag, secretary.

TO SETTLE DUBLIN STRIKE

Conference on Monday Likely to Break Deadlock.

Dublin, Oct. 11.—The peace committee which was formed for the purpose of finding a way out of the labor deadlock has secured the consent of both sides to conference with the committee on Monday, and it is confidently hoped that a settlement will be reached on that day. A majority of the employers are in favor of reinstating the locked out men and the strikers, provided they agree to handle all goods without discrimination.

While this would involve the abandonment by the men of their doctrine of "tainted goods," it would equally involve the recognition of James Larkin and the Transport Workers' Union by the employers.

IDENTIFIES SLAIN DAUGHTER.

Jacob Ostfeld, whose daughter Clara was shot and killed in Crotona Park on Friday afternoon, went to the Harlem morgue yesterday and identified the girl's body. Nathan Sokolitz, a photographer, of No. 353 Third avenue, was found dead with a bullet hole through his brain near the place where the girl was shot.

REPUBLICANS TO FIGHT  
HARD FOR MITCHEL

Koenig Determined Organization Which He Heads Shall Make Good Showing.

SAXE TO LEAD BATTLE

Former State Senator Will Conduct Energetic Campaign to Line Up His Party for Fusion Ticket.

Samuel S. Koenig, president of the Republican County Committee, and the other leaders of the organization are determined that after the vote has been counted on November 4 no man shall be able to say that John Purroy Mitchel, the fusion candidate for Mayor, and the others on that ticket were not supported loyally by the Republican organization.

To that end a special bureau has been organized to make a careful canvass of enrolled Republicans and to work personally with those who do not seem over-enthusiastic for the ticket. The bureau is in charge of former Senator Martin Saxe. He has an office and a corps of assistants in the Fifth Avenue Building.

There are a number of reasons why the Republicans in general have not the same enthusiasm for the fusion ticket as they might. In the first place, they believed that District Attorney Whitman was the logical candidate for Mayor. Low he was bowled out of the race by the Progressives who had no other object to him than that he was a Republican is a matter of record.

Then some Republicans have been under the impression that the election of Mr. Mitchel would be used to build up a strong Democratic organization in opposition to the Republican party. Others did not wax enthusiastic over Mr. Mitchel because they did not believe in the attitude he took on the subway contracts.

Next came the refusal of the Progressives to endorse a number of Republican candidates for the Board of Aldermen and the Assembly, and the attack upon the Republican organization by Francis W. Bird, the Progressive county leader.

This is the situation that the Republican leaders have to meet. Some papers have been circulating the report that the Republican organization would not give Mr. Mitchel loyal support, some of the rumors having gone so far as to say that the candidate for Mayor would be cut at the polls by the Republicans.

To show the falsity of these statements and also to demonstrate that the Republicans of this city are willing to lay aside partisan considerations for the general good of the whole city a special effort is being made to roll up a big Republican vote for the entire ticket. Former Senator Saxe is in charge of this work.

LAWYER GETS THIRTY DAYS

Darling, "Free Born American Citizen," Sentenced for Contempt.

Joseph F. Darling, an attorney, who got some notoriety shortly after the passage of the Sullivan anti-weapon act by asserting his right as a free-born American citizen to carry arms, was remanded yesterday by Justice Seabury, of the Supreme Court, to the Tombs to serve a thirty-day sentence entered against him on November 14, 1912, by Judge Swann in General Sessions, for criminal contempt of court. The justice dismissed the writ of habeas corpus which Darling obtained shortly after his sentence.

The lawyer refused to abide by the rules of evidence in conducting a case, the papers declared, turned his back to the court into a political harangue in the ended with a surfeit debate in the courtroom. He also proclaimed the lie that people in whom he placed the utmost confidence did not get a square deal in Judge Swann's court, it was ascertained. For this the court adjudged him guilty of contempt and imposed the sentence, which he will now have to serve, unless he begins some other action. It was said last night by his wife that he was in Washington.

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