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## News Of The Titanic In Herald Extra Tonight

### RESCUED PASSENGERS TO REACH NEW YORK TONIGHT

**Says Mexico Is Not Responsible For What the Rebels Do and Thinks United States Had No Business Communicating With Orozco—United States Officials Say It Gives No Renewed Cause For Interference in Mexico.**

Washington, D. C., April 18.—President Madero's reply to acting secretary Huntington Wilson's admonition regarding the treatment of Americans in Mexico was received at the state department over night and probably will be submitted to the cabinet by Mr. Taft and considered before any answer is returned.

It cannot be said that minister Calles's statement caused surprise, nor has it modified the diplomatic situation. The note is regarded rather as an attempt to relieve the Mexican government from financial liability for damages inflicted upon foreigners by the rebels, than as an evidence of resentment against the actions of the state department in reminding the Mexicans of the international law toward foreign residents in Mexico, or even those serving as volunteers on one side or the other.

#### No Reason for Intervention.

In the opinion of administration officials, the Mexican note has not advanced any fresh reasons for intervention unless a disclaimer for responsibility for the actions of the rebels may be regarded as warranting foreign governments in considering whether they might not be privileged to take forcible measures to protect their subjects and citizens where they may be endangered in territory completely in control of the rebel forces. Reports of the intervention between consul Letelier and Orozco at Chihuahua, however, would seem to relieve any apprehension of intervention on that score. In view of the rebel leaders' declared purpose to be bound by the principles of international law in any further operations.

#### The Mexican Reply.

Mexico City, Mex., April 18.—Mexico replied to the warning note of acting secretary Huntington Wilson last night declining to assume responsibility for Orozco's acts, denying the right of the Washington government to deliver the admonition contained in the taking exception to the communication directed to Orozco through consul Letelier and deploring the making public of this same communication. The government was required to make an answer.

This reply was made public by minister of foreign relations Calles. It denies the right of the Washington government to admonish Mexico, for the reason that the admonition was based on any justifiable incident. It denied responsibility for the constituted government for acts committed in territory in rebellion, while accepting full responsibility for every loss or damage sustained by foreigners legally chargeable to the government.

#### No Basis for Note.

A caution has been issued to leaders of the federal forces to insure proper treatment of foreigners, who may be taken as prisoners of war at the same time, as it is asserted that no basis exists for supposing that any other course will be pursued.

#### Orozco Held to be Answerable for his Offenses Only to the Mexican Courts, and Therefore Should not have been Made the Recipient of a Diplomatic Communication.

The Mexican government refuses to recognize the right of the American government to deliver the admonition in its observation of international law. The decision is made in a statement by minister Calles today in reply to the demand of assistant secretary Huntington Wilson.

#### Mexico Is Conscious of Its Duty.

"The Mexican government has a full consciousness of its duty and neither by its acts nor by the manifestations of its functionaries has it given a reason to doubt the sincerity of its determination to cause to be respected the generally accepted principles of international law and the rules which govern the conduct of civilized nations. Your government has recognized this in the note which it has the honor to answer and by means of other repeated demonstrations of friendship toward the government and the people of Mexico, which demonstrations so highly and so cordially have been esteemed in this country.

#### Refuses to Recognize Right.

"For these reasons, the Mexican government finds itself in the painful necessity of not recognizing the right of your government to make the admonition, which has been given a reason to doubt the sincerity of its determination to cause to be respected the generally accepted principles of international law and the rules which govern the conduct of civilized nations. Your government has recognized this in the note which it has the honor to answer and by means of other repeated demonstrations of friendship toward the government and the people of Mexico, which demonstrations so highly and so cordially have been esteemed in this country.

#### Mormons Warned to Stay the Women Out

Douglas, Ariz., April 18.—A telegram passed through Douglas yesterday from a prominent El Paso Mormon to members of the conference in Sonora, warning them to concentrate at Colonia Morelos and send their women and children to the interior, where they could follow a warning sent by senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, from Washington. The Mormons will abandon San Miguel and Colonia Oaxaca and go to Morelos. The several hundred men are well armed.

#### Hill Takes Arms to Empalme After Cattle

Tucson, Ariz., April 18.—Traveling on a special train, vice president Charles Hill, of the Southern Pacific of Mexico, is now on his way to Empalme with 122 rifles and 118,000 rounds of ammunition to be distributed among officials and employees to the number of 150 at Empalme. President Taft cut off red tape in authorizing the exportation when he learned that American lives were in danger and president Madero wired approval last night. Just prior to the departure of the train, the arms are consigned to Gen. Velasco.

**Rebels Capture Town in Durango and Both Armies Are Ready For Battle.**

### REBELS HOLD THE BEST POSITIONS

(By Phil McLaughlin.)

Jimenez, Chih., Mexico, April 18.—For three hours yesterday federal and rebel forces fought a succession of battles for the possession of Sierra Mojada, and the rebels won. Reports made to rebel commanders show the federal army has 25 killed, 52 of their men taken prisoners and 106 horses killed and captured by the rebels. In addition, the rebels captured 33 rifles and 7,331 rounds of federal ammunition.

The federal force after the three hours' fight, the rebels were commanded by colonel Jose Flores Alatorre and Lorenzo Almaraz. The battle was a hard fought one and the main armies of neither side were engaged.

#### Sierra Mojada Taken.

The federal force numbered about 100, having been located there as a position. Gen. Librado Galaz, a wealthy ranchman of the state of Durango, reached Sierra Mojada yesterday morning bringing with him 80 men which he will ally with the forces of Gen. Ynez Salazar.

#### Main Armies Still.

The federal force has made no perceptible move from their positions between Bermejillo and Cuernavaca, where the main rebel body from their position between Corralitos and Bellan, though the rebels have stretched their fighting line east and west until it covers a radius, perhaps of about 30 miles, extending from Cerro Gordo on the east to Rio Florida on the west. In these positions the rebels have placed four heavy artillery pieces and four machine guns. The territory is ideal for defense, being interwoven with a series of high hills, mostly very rocky and hard to climb.

#### Disorders Regretted.

"The government and the people of Mexico lament that the peace had been disturbed in parts of the republic and are making incessant and strenuous efforts to re-establish it. While the government expects to accomplish by means of concentration of the elements of war through the aid of the clearly defined outlines of a great majority of the Mexican people, which they exhort and other foreigners who reside among us should know, is emphatically accepted by the present government of the republic.

"Far from evading responsibilities which are against the lives and property of foreigners, the government accepts beforehand such responsibilities, while their nature and extent should be charge upon the government; but it refuses and always will refuse to accept responsibilities for the actions of rebels which may attempt to impose on it outside of these principles. My government recognizes with true satisfaction that the government of the United States would never attempt to impose this latter character of responsibility on the Mexican government, and the high culture and the spirit of justice of the people and government of the United States, which is a proof of great friendship which in the present circumstances they have given to this country.

#### Rumors Blamed.

"It is to be regretted that some Mexicans have spread unfounded rumors of injury to property and injury to foreigners. Here, with respect to this, the fault is not confined to Mexico but is common to all countries where there is a revolution. The publication of these rumors is a crime against the peace and the honor of the country. The authorities of the republic have always endeavored to limit the circulation of these rumors, but the damages to which your excellency alludes.

#### Not Responsible For Orozco.

"The Mexican government and people cannot be responsible therefore for the acts of this rebel chief, along the lines laid down in the communication which was sent to him by order of your excellency's government. The communication was given to consul Letelier in Chihuahua, not without lamenting the fact that it has been obliged by circumstances to have the honor to answer. I take this opportunity to reiterate to your excellency the assurances of my most high consideration."

#### PREPARING FOR THE DARROW TRIAL

Los Angeles, Calif., April 18.—Active preparations for the trial of Clarence S. Darrow, the former McNamara attorney, under indictment for alleged tampering with jurors, has begun. Twenty subpoenas have been sent east for service.

#### By District Attorney Fredericks in person.

It was estimated the trial would consume four weeks. Superior Judge Burton will preside.

#### Bert H. Franklin, Darrow's former confidential agent, and attorney John Hartington, associated with the McNamara defense, it was stated, would be the state's principal witnesses.

#### JUAREZ CUSTOMS MEN ARE ARRESTED

Two prominent customs officials in Juarez, Jose Velarde and Merced, were arrested by the military authorities Thursday morning and placed in the jail. The men, the customs officials, have been charged with conspiring against the Liberal government and were conspiring to help the Mexican government. The charges were made by the government. The men will be investigated by the government and the men will be held in jail pending this investigation.

#### ORGANIZATION FORMED FOR COAST TO COAST HIGHWAY

Kansas City, Mo., April 18.—To unify the several historic roads represented in the National Old Trails association, a bill has been introduced in the national house of representatives, which would create a national coast to coast highway organization of two delegates from each state to be elected by the proposed road was decided upon at today's session of the association's convention here. Five hundred delegates from states from Ohio to Arizona were present.

#### CHU MOO OR SHU MOO IS HELD ON USUAL CHARGE

Chu Moo, alias Shu Moo, was arrested Wednesday by United States immigration authorities without having been properly entered in violation of the Chinese exclusion act. The strange case is said to be occasioned by the fact that Moo says, and it could not be ascertained whether his first, or really last, name was Chu or Shu.

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The Herald's leased Associated Press wire will be kept in commission tonight, and if there is any news from the greatest of ocean tragedies in time to issue an extra, this paper will print the facts and put them upon the street as soon as received.

The Carpathia is expected to dock at New York at 11 o'clock tonight, according to White Star officials. This is 9 o'clock El Paso time. It may be that the tug sent to meet the boat with the survivors of the Titanic on board will be able to send definite news earlier.

The Associated Press has arranged to put the news through for instant publication as soon as it is received in New York and The El Paso Herald will give the news in extras as fast as it arrives.

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**Arizona Legislature Criticizes Governor's Prison Reform Movement.**

### MANY DIFFERENCES AMONG LAWMAKERS

Pinebluff, Ariz., April 18.—A fight is on in the legislature of the state over the bill requiring that only English speaking people be employed in mines. There are majority and minority reports.

The majority will recommend the submission of the question to a referendum vote.

The minority has recommended indefinite postponement. The administration bill to reduce the salary of the industrial school superintendent from \$3,500 to \$1,800 was amended by the committee and sent back to the house. The amendment puts the bill back in the original form.

The governor's program to spend \$10,000 for a prison board was severely criticized in debate. The house favored the bill, but the senate is opposed to it.

There is decided opposition to the bill carrying an appropriation of \$10,000 for the office of the attorney general, but this objection is likely to be met by Mr. Bullard himself. Democrats outside the legislature are not in favor of the bill.

Mr. Bullard insists that the appropriation is as small as it was possible to make. It will be used for paying the salary of the various items bunched or passing a separate bill appropriating a sufficient amount to pay the salary of an attorney for the corporation commission. But there are some things which are hard to explain to an indignant attorney general, but this objection is likely to be met by Mr. Bullard himself.

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In order that Arizona may not be behind any of the other states in dignity and credit, a bill has been introduced in the house providing for an appropriation of \$2,000 for the purpose of building an executive mansion. Of course it is realized that not much of a mansion could be built for that sum, especially when it is considered that it will be used for paying the salary of the various items bunched or passing a separate bill appropriating a sufficient amount to pay the salary of an attorney for the corporation commission. But there are some things which are hard to explain to an indignant attorney general, but this objection is likely to be met by Mr. Bullard himself.

There is another matter which the governor, however, probably would never consider. If they do hold an election this fall, he cannot hope to serve more than three years all told; and the governor's residence, if one is authorized, would hardly be finished until after the close of his second term. So, in any event, it would not do Gov. Hunt any good. But, of course, as said already, this matter is not supposed to enter into the calculations of the governor.

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## Wireless Aboard the Rescue Ship Carpathia Fails to Send Any Tidings of What Occurred on Board the Giant Ocean Liner After Iceberg Was Struck; No Further News of Any More Persons Being Rescued by Any Other Vessel.

New York, N. Y., April 18.—The following bulletin was made public by the White Star line shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon:

"Carpathia due at Sandy Hook 9 p. m. Should dock at 11 p. m."

Gen. Henry, surveyor of the port of New York, said this morning that the Carpathia would not dock until 1 o'clock Friday morning.

Bearing the survivors of the sunken steamship Titanic, the Carpathia was making her way slowly toward New York today, groping through the fog, her wireless as silent as that of the stricken vessel, a small part of whose human cargo she carries.

Wireless messages bombarded the Carpathia all last night and today, but with little results. Even a message from president Taft asking for news of his aide, Maj. Butt, remained unanswered, and the indications are that no details of the disaster will be known until the Carpathia reaches port.

The Sagaponack, Long Island, wireless station reports that the Carpathia's wireless operator is "all in." The Sagaponack station says efforts will be made to put two fresh wireless operators on board from a tug.

Judging from the nature of the few messages from the survivors, the inference is that most of them are unaware of the awful tragedy that took place aboard the Titanic after she was abandoned. Thus many wives are ignorant that their husbands have perished and are hoping they were picked up by passing liners, which subsequently rendered service similar to that of the Carpathia. They will not get the awful news until they land here.

The Carpathia, with 865 of the shipwrecked survivors of the sunken Titanic, was off Nantuxet light ship, 196 miles from New York, at 5:55 o'clock this morning. The wireless report that there are only 705 survivors of the Titanic aboard the Carpathia still persists, but no word as far as can be learned, has come from the Carpathia within the last 24 hours, giving the exact number of shipwrecked persons aboard. From figures available in the American Star line offices, it is probable that the number of those perished totals 1522 souls.

All hope has been given up that the Carpathia will be able to send a good working wireless zone for numbers of private messages from survivors and dispatches to the line were constantly being received during the morning, but no word came to the repeated requests for details of the accident.

The Carpathia has sent ashore the names of 125 third class passengers and has requested the White Star line to send a ship's officer and 14 sailors on two tugs to take charge of 13 Titanic life boats at quarantine. This would account for the fact that the Carpathia has been found available for rescue work instead of 20 life boats as had been approximated.

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## BRITISH PARLIAMENT TO PROBE CATASTROPHE

London, England, April 18.—The actual number of passengers and crew on board the Titanic at the time of the disaster was 2208, according to Sidney Buxton, president of the board of trade, in reply to a question in the house of commons this afternoon.

A searching inquiry into matters concerning the catastrophe to the Titanic, pertaining to their respective departments, was made in the house of commons by Buxton and Herbert L. Samuel, postmaster general.

The postmaster general said he already had taken the cable reports which had been published. He continued:

"I am making inquiries as to whether the wireless messages from ships belonging to my license for wireless telegraphy."

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