REFUGEES FLOCKING FROM THE INTERIOR

Ambassador Sends Call to British in Mexico—Americans Repeat Threats by Villa.

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EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 14—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British Ambassador, sent an urgent message to British Consul Homan C. Myles, tonight, instructing him to order all British subjects out of the interior of Mexico to the large cities, so that they may be transported to the border and prevented from an attack on foreigners.

The first train of refugees from Mexico to El Paso arrived tonight and was permitted to cross without danger to the American side. There were five American women and children with them. Another train is following them from Parral with 100 American mining men and their families. It is feared that Villa is marching in the direction of Parral.

It was long after dark when the refugee train with its guard of more than a hundred Carranza soldiers from Chihuahua, drew into Juarez. The coaches were lighted by candles stuck on the backs of the wooden seats.

When the refugee train reached Samalayuca, seventy-six kilometres south of Juarez, it was flagged and two United States soldiers in the uniform of the United States Fourth Field Artillery, were picked up by Juarez. They were Alvin R. Hedges and H. L. Burkey, of Battery B. They said they had been captured in Juarez and had wandered to Samalayuca without knowing what they were doing. They are being held by General Gavarrua and will be turned over to General Perciball.

Another train is reported to be on route to Juarez with the bodies of General Rodriguez and forty of his Villa bandits.

Jack Johnson, a pioneer in Mexico, arrived at the border tonight with the report that Burt Kramer's father, D. R. Kramer, had been put to death on the day following the killing of his son by Villa bandits. The Kramer's lived on a small ranch, one and one-half miles from Guerrero, Chihuahua, and fear is felt here for Mrs. D. R. Kramer, who went back to the ranch with her husband and sons. A woman with a child and Roy Kramer, two brothers of Burt, are reported to have escaped, as did an American named Locke, who ran a livery stable at Minas. The refugees are reported at Cusihuiriachic.

All the employees of the American Smelting & Refining Company came here on the train that arrived tonight. The report that rioting had occurred in El Paso has not reached the interior. It is the telegraph dispatches have been censored in Juarez to prevent this news from reaching excited Mexicans beyond that point. However, every possible effort is being made here to get all Americans out before the returning passengers carry the news back. Because of this the mass meeting which was called in Cleveland Square this afternoon, to denounce the killing of the Americans at Santa Fe, was canceled at the request of Mayor Tom Loc, and the police and soldiers were present to prevent any disorder.

Except a few fights, there was no trouble in Juarez. All soldiers were kept in quarters at the camps and forts, and the streets were filled with provost guards to prevent further soldier disturbances.

Villa Warned Americans.

Americans coming out of Mexico today declared that Villa had warned them to "get out, stay out, or be shot if you return." They said they saw Villa in the Guerrero district and that he told them he had decided to slaughter all of the Americans who went back into Mexico to show the United States what Villa could do, and also to force intervention upon the Carranza Government. This policy, the Americans asserted, was the real reason for Villa's sending his wife to Havana, as he was planning reprisals and did not want her to be in the United States lest she be molested.

The Americans asserted Villa lined all of them up in the City Hall in Guerrero, where he denounced them and their country in a blind rage. He told them that if the United States loved Carranza so well as to recognize him, let it go to Carranza for their protection.

Reports that incendiary posters had been circulated throughout Juarez were received tonight, but Mexican Consular officials asserted they had been unable to find any of these. It was said the posters contained the statement that several Mexicans had been killed in El Paso last night.

It was said the Carranza garrison, believing Mexicans were being murdered, threatened to invade El Paso. Mining and cattle men from all over this part of the border were reported in Juarez to be gathering in El Paso. Mexicans in El Paso, for the sake of safety, were required to stay within doors in considerable numbers.

They were not molested. Many of them—members of the "centrist" element—managed to protect themselves at the bier of General Victoriano Huerta, who died last night, a prisoner of the American Government.

Confirmation of reports of the execution of General Jose Rodriguez by Colonel Maximo Marquez were received with the statement that his body would be sent to Juarez.

Invasion Move Falls.

A secret meeting of mining and cattle men was held, it was said, to organize an expedition to cross into Mexico and hunt down the slayers of their former friends and companions. The meeting ended without any action being taken.

One hundred and fifty arrests were made last night. Beyond a few broken heads, it was found none of the Mexicans had suffered serious injuries.

No word was received here today concerning the fate of Benjamin Snell and Frank Woods, cattlemen, last seen going in the direction of the massacre, in eastern Chihuahua, at noon on Monday. Forty Carranza soldiers, sent on a special train from Juarez to protect Americans in the Madero district, were reported last night to have been stalled by engine trouble.

The funeral of M. D. Romero, auditor of the Cusihuiriachic Mining Company, killed in the massacre, was held today from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Services were held also for Thomas Evans and J. H. Woon. All three bodies were buried here.

The funeral of Charles R. Watson will be held here tomorrow by the Masons. Richard MacPhatton's body will be buried on Sunday by the Episcopals, and an effort is being made to have all of the remaining bodies buried together on Sunday at a public funeral.

Wallace's body is to be shipped to Springfield, Ohio, that of J. P. Coy will be buried in Madison, and that of R. T. Osburn will be sent to Douglas, Ariz.