

# BRIEF RESUME OF EVENTS LEADING TO MEXICAN CRISIS

Huerta's refusal to fire a salute to the United States flag, as demanded originally by Rear Admiral Fox and backed up by President Wilson, has precipitated a crisis in Mexico, affairs which is regarded as certain to bring about intervention.

On April 9 Admiral Mayo, in command of the United States ships at Tampico, demanded that the commanding officer of the Mexican fleet at that place fire a salute to the American flag, the apology by acknowledging the firing of the customary salute by the United States gunboat Dolphin. On the day of the salute, a boat crew of the Dolphin, commanded by Assistant Paymaster Copp, was arrested by Mexican troops. The men were marched through the streets amid the ribes and insults of the populace. An apology was demanded and tendered, and the salute was fired. The salute to the United States flag was refused. The salute to the United States flag was refused. The salute to the United States flag was refused.

# FUTURE AMERICAN BEAUTY TO BE A BRUNETTE

Shades of blonde, read this! Pale face powder will give way to brunette dye if this comes true.

"The American woman beautiful of the future will be of the Indian type, dark-haired, dark-skinned, and dark-eyed," says the professor of anthropology.

"The complexion of the ancestor of the blonde, but light or dark, all twigs that will be shaken into life and activity by the winds of the years to come will be dark. In other words you may trace back to a blonde, but your descendant will be dark-haired, dark-eyed and dark-skinned.

In the sometime that is coming an explanatory talk will be necessary before daughter sings "Give Thanks Among the Gold," for there won't be any gold.

"In America today," says the professor, "we have two types—the blonde and the brunette. The blonde comes largely from Scandinavia, Germany and Finland. This blonde type seems centered in Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin. In the immigrants from Southern Europe and in the Hebrew we have the brunette. There will inevitably be an infusion of the dark strain into the blonde. The blonde type will have depends directly on the extent to which the races intermingle. Race pride and prejudice will gradually weaken in America, I believe, and that will be a strong factor in the interesting.

"Without the injection of new blood the environment alone should produce the change to the Indian type."

The artist, a sculptress of fame, agrees with the professor, that the coming type in America will be brunette, but hangs up with him on the theory that the Indian type will prevail.

"The Indians, as a race," she says, "are rapidly becoming extinct, and what more foolish than the theory that a type that is dying out will finally prevail? The beautiful American woman of the future will have dark eyes, full lips, dark kinky hair, olive complexion; a decided brunette, not a subrowned imitation."

"I have made a study of the American blonde and brunette, and the sum total in favor of the brunette is large and gratifying, while that favoring the blonde is small.

"The greatest strength—physical, moral and mental—is found in the brunette type. The greatest warriors of the world have been brunettes; the world's greatest thinkers have been brunettes; the dark-eyed, and only recently it was proven that the greatest pugilist is a brunette.

"The brunette is more imperious, more dominant, has more energy and more will; she is more courageous, more persistent; will hang on with bull-dog tenacity long after the blonde has given up.

Blonde Called a Freak.

"The brunette is the natural type; the blonde is a freak of nature. The sight of a blonde blisters under a hot sun, making a perversion of nature's best intentions. There is no storm of the elements—wind or rain—so around the brunette is nature's child and is normal. The blonde is abnormal.

"The really handsome men and women in history have been brunettes, and if a blonde has beauty it is only passing. It is like a delicate shade of ribbon that will fade on exposure to the light. The beauty that is born with a girl and traces of which remain when she is a grandmother in the brunette type. Not only will a brunette stand the buffeting of the weather better than a blonde, but it is a type of beauty that will long survive the griefs, the passions, the wear and tear of life.

"This evolution of the brunette type will result in better complexions, a better development of figure, and most wonderful of all, in a more luxuriant growth of hair. Do you realize it is the blonde who is so ashamed she has to patronize the hair dresser? Count up the blondes and brunettes of your acquaintance and you will find that almost invariably the brunettes have more hair than the blondes. It is the fair-haired girl who does her thinking under a pound of jute. If the brunette has any false hair it is a puny little rat-tail switch.

"The blonde girl is more apt to be fast cheated; she isn't developed physically like the darker girl; she is not as hardy a plant, nor as attractive.

"The dark-haired and dark-eyed races are the most productive; their modern families are, larger than those of the Italian or Hebrew? If this over-production is desirable or not is another story, but the facts are plain that with the Hebrew, the Italian and the American races, with the resultant large families and dark-eyed children, the brunette type in America will finally prevail."

# ULSTER ARMED TO RESIST HOME RULE

Ulster is today heavily armed and is ready to resist to the limit the enforced home rule. The greatest gun running in the history of Ireland took place recently when 70,000 rifles and 5 million rounds of ammunition were distributed throughout Ulster. The munitions were landed at night in three consignments at Bangor and Donaghadee and rushed to the inland. Authorities were outwitted. Unionists gathered while arms were being landed. Wires were cut and police were helpless.

FARM PAYS BEST WAGES.

The report just issued by the government after a thorough investigation of farm conditions shows that wages of farm hands in Ireland may be the best since 1902. 11 per cent in the last four years and 24 per cent in the last two years. The report shows also that the value of farm lands has doubled in the last twenty years. In no other line of industry were such great increases shown. And this proves that the young man that leaves the farm to come to the city, in the belief that it is easy money in the city, is making a mistake. On men in the cities, men who are barely making a living or less than a living, who ought to go by the way of the wages of farm hands, there is a short, age of that kind of help, and it is almost impossible for farmers to get men to help run their farms.

Automatic Signals Are Successful.

Engineers and officials of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad are jubilant over the test of a new automatic signal and train control system. It operates on the block signal plan. Under the new device three are placed along the track; at block intervals, pins that are raised by a metal bar from the engine. If the block is clear a white light flashes before the engineer. If he should be cautious a green light flashes, and if there is danger a red light flashes. If the green light flashes the speed of the train is automatically reduced immediately. If there is a red flash the air brakes are automatically applied.

OPEN MOUTHS WHEN GUNS ARE FIRED

On board our warships the men are instructed to open their mouths when the big guns are fired. There is good reason for this. It results in an even breathing, and consequently being carried through the outer ear channels and into the inner side of the drum by the way of the mouth. It takes about a second for the concussion from the big guns to subside.

I. W. W. Woman Interrupts Service.

Jane Est, a leading I. W. W. woman, undertook to break up services at Madison Square Presbyterian church, New York. She announced that she had come to instruct the pastor, Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, in theology. The organist struck up a hymn in which the congregation joined and Miss Est, who had been removed by the sexton and turned over to a policeman who took her screaming to a police station. She said she had no occupation and that heaven was her home.

# MEDICAL DEPARTMENTS OF ARMY AND NAVY READY TO PROTECT HEALTH OF TROOPS

Washington, May 1.—The medical department of the army, and the medical bureau of the navy, and the Red Cross are prepared for action in event of war.

Statements to this effect were made by Surgeon General Gorgas of the army, Surgeon General Braisted of the navy and Miss Mabel Boardman, chairman of the Red Cross.

There will be no repetition of the epidemics of typhoid and other diseases which characterized the Spanish-American war typhoid camps.

The three diseases which under the old conditions would scourge any camps are yellow fever, malarial fever and typhoid fever. But under the new conditions, resulting chiefly from the work of Gen. Gorgas and the medical department of the army is prepared to fight and root these diseases with efficiency and equal to that of the line on fighting and routing any foe.

Should the president issue a call for volunteers, every man who is accepted into the army will be given the typhoid prophylactic. This is an absolutely certain preventive against a typhoid epidemic.

During the Spanish-American war there were more than 20,000 cases of typhoid in the army camps and between 4,000 and 5,000 deaths. The deaths from typhoid exceeded the number killed and wounded in the field.

Yellow fever is the most dangerous of all Mexican fevers. Yet the army surgeons and physicians are not afraid of it. Gen. Gorgas' study in the canal zone convinced him that yellow fever can be stamped out anywhere. The disease is spread by mosquitoes. The mosquitoes are active chiefly at night. The use of nets when the men are sleeping or in camp at night will prevent yellow fever. It has done so in the Philippines and will do so if the army is ordered into Mexico.

Malaria is also spread by mosquitoes and the same preventive is used against them.

Sanitary regulations for the camps will be the same as have been employed on the Texas borders. They assure not only convenience but comfort for the men.

In case of battle the wounded are first picked up from the field if they can be reached by litter bearers. They are carried to dressing and ambulance stations, where they are treated. The slightly wounded are treated on the field, and, if able, are returned to the firing line. Those needing further attention are taken to the stations. There, after treatment, if able to return to the firing line, they are sent back. If not, they are taken to the field hospitals made up of tents. Those who are unable to return to the colors are sent to the rear hospitals and then to their homes or safer places if they cannot resume work.

If necessary, the dead are buried on the field of action, but the graves are marked, so that bodies can be removed later.

# EARLY SUMMER STYLE PREDICTIONS

Many are the masculine touches to be seen in the new styles for spring. The pockets are not the last of these tilt to the little military hat decorated by many clash with the masculine touches that are to be popular. The ruffles of silk as well as the flowered hats and truly feminine touches so dear to our hearts. "We will admit that in its place the mannish touch to the tailored skirt set is rarely amiss. Wise is the woman who uses both separate pieces.

The cotton crepes for the summer gowns are charming in the extreme. Rodier assures us that the old trouble of shrinking has been abolished, and if the softness has anything to do with it, must be said that it will never hold in and support Huerta in his defence of the United States, but will continue to advance southward until they reach the Gulf of Mexico. The constitutionalists now control all northern Mexico.

# PLAITED FABRICS POPULAR

Plaited fabrics are much used in the present fashions. There are straight plaited skirts with flaring tunics or puffed panniers at the hips that are good models for tailors to tread. Sometimes the fullness is held in with a hip yoke, sometimes it is not held in, but is rather accentuated by the panniers or tunics.

# COATS FOR MOTORING.

The woman who motors, much has found that the motor coat, without any furloves and little trimming, is the kind that she takes most comfort in.

A long coat of heavy raw silk comes less than of any other material, and gray or tan, the colors that show dust least, are the best colors for the motor.

# HOLDS KISS IS ASSAULT.

The supreme court at Leipzig, Germany, holds that a kiss is an operation on another's body, requiring under all circumstances the recipient's sanction. If the recipient resists the kiss is guilty of assault upon honor and an illegal infringement.

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# LAUNDRY HELPS ARE VALUABLE

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Cotton blankets are washed differently from those made of wool. Soap them with laundry soap, fold, and allow to soak in tepid water.

Wash in an hour or so, and place in a boiler of hot suds to steam, not boil. Rinse in several washes. Use very little lye, and dry them double on the line. Press dry on the wrong side.

Quite to the contrary is the process of washing the wool blankets, for hot water cannot be used on them. Also in washing be careful to rinse in a water of the same temperature as that in which they have been washed.

A careful washing is often rendered useless by too sudden change of temperature in the rinsing.

A woman who found, as many others have done, that double blankets are very hard to handle, was the washing, ever had the idea of cutting them in two and facing the edges.

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The skirt has a turned-up facing of the satin and is trimmed with buttons covered with the silk.

Pongee Suits Popular For Summer Wear

More pongee suits have been displayed for spring and summer this season than ever before, and very few of these are cut in strictly tailored fashion.

Most of them have the regulation rolling collar, either with the regulation sailor back or some variation, and many have touches of black or bright colors. Three-quarter sleeves and short straight coats characterize these suits, which are light in weight.

SQUARE BUTTONS.

Have you noticed the tiny, square buttons which are used for trimming some of the newest frocks? These little buttons are made over little-wooden forms and are, as than half an inch square in some cases. A long row of them covered with the material of the frock, is very effective on the skirt of a deep red crepe de chine model seen in a local shop.

A MODISH SUIT

The harmony of line is carefully studied in this design. The edges of the tunics and of the coat have a slight dip in the back and the coat is lined.

The material is deep orange color with white facings on the sailor collar and pointed cuffs. Touches of black are given by the velvet ribbon tie and the cord and tassel ornaments.

