

# VICTIM OF UNREST IN MEXICO

## Luis Terrazas, Jr., Tells of His Tortures and Escape.

THE recognition of Carranza has by no means quelled the troubles in troubled Mexico. The recent killing of a number of Americans by Mexican bandits has naturally stirred this country to the core. The Carranza government must stand or fall according to its ability to maintain order. Every town and then the entire country is afflicted on Mexican affairs, and a terrible condition of affairs is revealed.

But the other day Luis Terrazas, Jr. escaped from captivity in Mexico, told an awful story of his tortures at the hands of Villa's followers. He has joined his father, who an exile from Mexico, is living at El Paso, Tex. The older Terrazas was computed the richest man in Mexico. As he was the largest landholder in Mexico, he typified the conditions which brought about the Madero revolution.

The younger Terrazas remained in Chihuahua after his father and most of the family had sought safety in the United States. He was arrested and thrown into prison by Villa's guards. Villa demanded a ransom of \$500,000 for the release of the younger Terrazas, which the father agreed to pay and placed money and securities in the El Paso bank to cover the amount of the demand. But Villa demanded cash payment into his own hands. This the older Terrazas refused until such time



LUIS TERRAZAS, SENIOR AND JUNIOR.

the son should be set at liberty across the border. What followed Luis Terrazas, Jr., told the other day in his father's home at El Paso. He said:

"This came the awful day when I thought my life had come to its end. A detachment of troops removed me from the prison. And that command was in charge of Manuel Madero, brother of Francisco Madero. I was taken from the penitentiary to an abandoned adobe house and there hanged by the neck until the world was a blur—and I thought I had seen my last day on earth. I succeeded in moving my head sufficiently to make my executioners understand that I was willing to reveal the hiding place of the gold of the Banco Minero, which they sought. In the rush of the hurried departure it was impossible to take the gold from the bank, and it was hidden in a hollow steel column supporting the beamed ceiling. A hole had been cut and the money, all in Mexican gold, lowered into it. There they found it, and it was transferred to Villa's treasury, I was told.

"For three days I was unable to eat because of the contraction of the muscles in my neck due to the rope, and to this day I carry the scar of that rope mark on my neck. I was unable to take solid food for a week, and my health was permanently injured by the awful experience.

"That was one single incident. Not a day passed during the two years that I was not threatened with death in one form or another, either standing against the execution wall at the penitentiary or at the hands of drunken guards. Finally, when my health became impaired, I was permitted to go to our town house, but the guard was not relaxed.

"Worse than this nervous torture and constant fear of slow death were the sights I was forced to witness day by day the men with whom I was associated in the prison were taken out and shot first, and a faithful friend of mine. Then Governor Felipe Gutierrez and another day Juan Prieto, one of the brightest legal minds in Mexico and a relative by marriage of my family. The victims died like men, but the sound of the shots and the dull sound of the flesh striking the flagging in the patio will be with me until I die.

### SIRES AND SONS.

Of Field Marshal Mackensen, the German general, his father prophesied that he would never make a soldier. James Stillman, the financier, has a New England cook to prepare the old-fashioned New England dishes for him. J. Leonard Replige, who recently paid the Pennsylvania railroad \$15,000,000 for nearly a quarter of a million shares of its stock, entered the employ of the Cambria Steel company a boy twenty-seven years ago at \$5 a week.

Sir George Buchanan, the British ambassador in Petrograd, is a son of Sir Andrew Buchanan, who for many years represented Great Britain not only diplomatically, but also in sporting sense, at the courts of Russia, Prussia and especially Austria.

Morris Williams, member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers and the American Academy of Political and Social Science, began his eventful career in a coal breaker in Wales at the age of thirteen. When still quite young he came to this country and has risen until he is now one of the foremost coal operators in Pennsylvania.

### Town Topics.

"Chicago Pays Mayor Most. A man who is mayor of Chicago just naturally looks for consolation along with compensation. - New York World.

Everything is going up these days. They have even put up the cost of divorces in Cincinnati and can probably prove that it is due to the war. - Philadelphia Press.

After Governor Spuy of Utah drives every enemy of law and order out of his state Kansas City would like to borrow him for a few weeks if he can spare the time. - Kansas City Journal.

According to Professor Scott, New York is the worst city in the world. If the professor is trying to make New York love him he can't go at it in a better way. - Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Political Quips.

Even when the office seeks the man it sometimes costs a lot to hold it down. - New York American.

A copy of "Who's Who" will not serve for light on all the presidential candidates. - San Francisco Chronicle.

'Tis sad but true, the so called "eat of the people" is generally nothing more or less than the voice of the candidate. - Pittsburgh Press.

And if the movies should really carry out the threat of entering politics the field would be much more picturesque. - Cincinnati Tribune.

Presidential booms are cut extremely low this season, with much padding at the shoulders, and fashioned to get it in the neck at any moment. - New York Sun.

### Short Stories.

Wolfskin makes the best banyo parchment. The phosphate of lime has been discovered in the Canadian Rockies. The lime lost and medical attention the wage earners of this country have an annual sick bill of \$690,000,000. The flaggpole on top of a tower on a New York hotel has been so mounted that it can be lowered into a tubular casing for painting or repairing. The average annual income of each resident of the United States is nearly \$350. The average annual income of each resident of Great Britain is \$290.

### PITH AND POINT.

Better borrow from a pawnbroker than from your friend.

A man who practices what he would preach needn't preach much.

This is leap year. Have the baccheters thought about preparedness?

How Ben Franklin would have beamed on these latter day "thrift clubs!"

There are many men of many minds, some of whom even mind their own business.

In order to come back it is necessary for the average man to lighten his load of foolishness.

Some men are so busy that they can spend hours and hours telling you how busy they are.

Egypt's strategic position gives the sphinx a certain military status as a riddle propounder.

Were some people to talk of only what they really know they would have no need of language.

In spite of the fact that brevity is the soul of wit, no man likes to have the short change racket worked on him.

Science has done wonders in conquering the hookworm, but the grip germ remains aggressive and immune.

Mr. Kipling to the contrary, the white man's burden appears to consist largely, if not almost exclusively, of the white man.

It has been discovered that another counterfeit ten dollar note is in circulation, and most of us are mighty glad that it isn't a one dollar note.

Even lovers of excitement are beginning to wish for a little of that peaceful monotony in which nations cease making strenuous history.

## A PICTURESQUE MODERN BABEL

### Saloniki a Meeting Place For Many Races.

Saloniki, the base of the allies in the Balkans, at present affords an interesting commercial spectacle. The prices are abnormally high, the retail stocks are of inferior and depleted variety. Yet artificial prosperity reigns, and every shopkeeper knows that he has the public at his mercy.

If the harbor of Saloniki is a conglomeration of strange flags and every class of ship, it is as nothing in comparison with the quays. No Port Said nor Marseilles ever knew so po-



Photo by American Press Association. MARKET SCENE IN SALONIKI.

gnot a babel or saw such a kaleidoscope of costumes. There are French "potlous" in their sky blue uniforms, French Alpine chausseurs, tam o' shanters on the side of the head, French colonial troops—Turks—Seneagales in fancy khaki bloomers and short gaiters, French marines, with red pompons on their round caps, French dragons, with horse tails in their helmets, French officers of every description, French sailors, and commonest of all—calm re-trousured French territorials.

Afoot, bands of British Tommies push their way down the crowded streets. British officers, canes in hand sweep the sidewalks from side to side, driving the countless itinerant vendors into the street. French salute Greeks. Greeks salute French. But the British only salute the British.

Cosmopolitan as are the inhabitants of Saloniki at any time, they are more so than ever now, increased as the population has been by refugees from Serbia, Macedonia and Thrace—Among the permanent inhabitants, to judge from the streets, Turks seem to predominate. In the market places of Saloniki a motley throng moves along many of them at loss to express their wishes.

### FINDS PURE MAGNETIC IRON.

Professor Yensen Develops a Process That Will Save Millions.


Professor Trygo Yensen, research assistant professor of electrical engineering in the University of Illinois, has developed a process of making pure iron. A pure iron core in an electrical transformer cuts out the loss of energy. The more impurities there are in iron, the more electricity there is wasted in magnetizing and demagnetizing.



PROFESSOR TRYGO YENSEN.

If this new invention can be made commercially practicable it will save millions of dollars each year for the electrical industry.

Professor Yensen was born in Norway in 1881 and was graduated as an electrical engineer in 1907. During that year he was awarded the Edison medal by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He has been connected with the University of Illinois for the past five years and has experimented extensively with transformers. His purification process was not accidental, but the result of long and patient investigation of making iron in a vacuum.



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**Hit Him Coming and Going.**  
An attorney went to a livery stable and hired a team for two or three hours and at the end of that time, in a state of absentmindedness, left the team at another livery stable, where it remained eight days. At stable No. 1 there was no worry about the team. They knew the attorney was perfectly good for the pay. At stable No. 2 there was equal freedom from anxiety. The attorney came there, left the team and went away, saying nothing. They put the horse into a stall and "chalked it down" on the office slate, knowing him to be a business man who paid cash. Discovery came at last, and the lawyer was presented with two bills, one for eight days' hire and the other for eight days' keep. He paid both bills promptly, but it cured him of being absentminded for nearly a whole month.

**A Fearful Poison.**  
From the microbes which give rise in human beings to the disease known as tetanus, or lockjaw, a poison called tetanine is obtained which is over 100 times more powerful than strychnine. A fragment of tetanine so small as to be invisible to the naked eye would kill almost instantaneously the strongest man. One fifteen-thousandth part of a grain of it has caused the death of a horse, 1,000,000,000 times its own weight.—Pearson's.

**Purely Feminine.**  
Small Niece—Uncle John, if you don't give me a cent I'll be mad at you Uncle John—Here's the coin. Small Niece—And for 2 cents, Uncle John, I'll like you ever so much and for 3 I'll love you and for 4 I'll simply adore you.—New York Globe.

**Romance in High Life.**  
"Do you love me?"  
It was an old question, but he sprang in a variation of the stereotyped reply: "I love the very ground you motor over," he said.—Kansas City Journal.

**Must Be Pretty.**  
He—Have you ever looked in the glass when you are angry? She—No, I'm never angry when I look in the glass.

**Ominous.**  
"A letter in a square-envelope marked 'private' came for you this morning," announced Mrs. Waite, glancing at her husband scrutinizingly. "Is that so? Who was it from?" came the reply.—Harper's Magazine.

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