

MEXICO FEARS 'BLOWUP' AT POLLS SUNDAY

Administration Party Has Strong Opposition First Time in Years.

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MEXICO CITY, July 5—Vol-

ume Mexico is going to the polls Sunday to vote for a President, with the hope there will be no revolutionary eruption. But an Mexican will be greatly surprised if there is a blow-up.

Residents of this country, from

Juarez on the north to Mexico City and Acapulco on the south,

and from Vera Cruz on the east

to Guadalajara on the west, say they

expect trouble.

It is easy to understand the cause of this apprehension. This country is experiencing something new in its revolutionary development. For the first time large numbers of the people are openly supporting a presidential candidate opposed to the policies of an administration in power.

Informers believe at least 75 per cent of Mexican citizens favor Gen. Juan Andre Almazan, candidate of the PRM (Revolutionary Party of National Unification).

Doesn't Mean Election

Gen. Almazan's popularity, however, doesn't mean he will be elected. This time it is Gen. Manuel Avila Camacho who has the backing of the PRM (Party of the Mexican Revolution). That party controls the election machinery, and control of the election machinery can decide elections in Mexico.

In support of Gen. Avila Camacho

is supported by Vicente Lombardo Toledano, leftist chief of the powerful CDTM (Confederation of Mexican Workers), and he also has the blessing of the Cárdenas Administration.

In the background, Gen. Rafael Sanchez Tapia, candidate of the Democratic Front, although he professes friendship for labor and is a close friend of the President.

Has Wide Following

Gen. Almazan, a conservative army officer and typical "big business" man of Mexico, has attracted a following among all classes outside official circles.

Business and white collar groups prefer him because he is opposed to the present Administration's leftist ideas, to which Gen. Avila Camacho is pledged.

Workers dissatisfied with general conditions and the cost of living say they believe Gen. Almazan will give the country a business administration. Opposition to perpetuation of the present Administration is also voiced frequently. "No reelection" has been the battle cry of the revolutionaries in Mexico for years.

Gen. Almazan is wealthy. Possessing less of his extensive holdings probably will keep him from starting a revolution if he is counted out, unless he has assurance the army will go along with him.

Camacho Termend Conservative

Gen. Avila Camacho is described as a conservative surrounded by leftists. Possibility that he may become altogether conservative, once he is established in office, is discussed, but almost everyone agrees that he wouldn't last long if he did that.

The average citizen who displayed little or no interest in elections, because he knew the votes were counted to please those in control of the ballot boxes, now is discussing issues and taking a stand.

In years gone by, paid demonstrators whooped it up for candidates at political rallies. This year spontaneous demonstrations indicate an awakening of the people.

Resort to Arms Unlikely

But it is not likely that the people will resort to arms as a general revolt if the result of the election does not please them. There is no evidence of organized movement to support the ballot with bullets.

So unless the picture changes soon, the "trouble" everyone expects probably will be confined to sporadic outbreaks, and these may be minimized if President Cárdenas' promise of a fair election is carried out.

Another interesting situation has been created by the European war and the united front action of President Cárdenas with the United States on a defense program. Although they don't like the idea of the United States having anything to say about who shall be President of Mexico, Mexicans agree that if Washington throws its support to the Cárdenas administration, to prevent weakening of the defense program, any man or group of men would be foolish to start a revolution.

Assurance that the United States will maintain a non-intervention policy in the Mexican election comes from Washington.

Almazanistas have warned that they will not be counted out without protest.

Gets Own Goat



The City Hall— SLASH SESSION ON BUDGET SET FOR NEXT WEEK

How to Keep City's Tax
Rate at \$1.28 Question
Before Officials.

By RICHARD LEWIS

A second meeting of City officials with Mayor Reginald B. Sullivan is scheduled for next week on the 1941 budget. It will be a slash session.

At the first meeting two weeks ago, department heads presented their estimates. They also listened to an economy talk by the Mayor.

It was pointed out at this meeting that the City is facing serious budget problems. Valuations have come down, other taxes have gone up and prices of goods the City must purchase are rising, too.

Now, then, can this year's \$1.28 rate be kept next year? Officials hope they will find the answer in their next meeting.

Taxicab Meters Checked

One of the City's lesser known services is a weights and measures inspection department, charged with seeing that citizens get measure for measure. Thomas E. Tarpey, Weights and Measures Commissioner, has just completed his annual checkup of taxicab meters.

Although he has not yet analyzed the results, Mr. Tarpey has drawn some interesting generalizations about taxicab meters.

Almost half of the 400 cabs inspected had meters so faulty they either had to be replaced or repaired and retested, he said. The majority of the faulty meters charged more than they should have, Mr. Tarpey said, and some charged less.

Zone System Favored

The cabs were taxed along a one-mile stretch of roadway, Fall Creek Parkway, from Keyston Ave. to the Millersville Road. Mr. Tarpey said he thought that was a fair test.

The Weights and Measures Commissioner frankly favors the zone, instead of the meter system of charging fare. This is the practice in Washington, D. C., he said. Fare is computed by zones, which are defined by boundary streets.

Mr. Tarpey and his inspectors are now making the rounds of gasoline pumps. There are 3000 pumps, roughly, in the City and the inspection will take about two months.

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WOMAN CHOSEN BY GREENBACKS

Mrs. Anna Milburn Is Party's
Presidential Candidate;
Zahnd Chairman.

John Zahnd, Indianapolis, for many years the National Greenback Party's candidate for President, yesterday visited his place to a woman—Mrs. Anna Milburn, a moderately wealthy Seattle, Wash. widow.

Nominated as the party's Vice Presidential candidate was James E. Yates, Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. Zahnd was named national chairman, a post he has held the last 18 years.

The party which held its convention in the Hotel Severin, has for its goal money and banking reforms, including the abolishment of interest.

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2 MEN, BABY DIE
IN AIRPLANE CRASH

MONMOUTH, Ill., July 5 (UPI)—Two men and a baby were killed yesterday and a girl was injured critically when their airplane crashed during a landing at Monmouth airport.

Dead were Robert McVay, 45, pilot and operator of a flying school; F. M. Salders, an auto parts dealer, and Mr. Salders' 3-year-old son. Mr. Salders' young niece was injured and was not expected to war on foreign soil.

SCHICKER URGES DEFENSE

SCOTTSBURG, Ind., July 5 (UPI)—Lieut. Gov. Henry F. Schicker, Democratic nominee for Governor, said at an Independence Day rally here yesterday that the United States should have a full national defense program but that no American soldiers should be sent to war on foreign soil.

Schicker's audience, however, is almost three times as great as Indianapolis'. During Cárdenas' last fiscal year, the City took in \$15,268,168. Indianapolis last year grossed \$8,229,860.

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BLOUSES
and PURSES

\$1.00 Values

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