

TEACHER DESCRIBES FIGHT.

Miss Dunning Says Armed American Troopers Entered Parral.

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EL PASO, Texas, April 16.—Miss Mabel Dunning and Miss Nellie Prescott, Americans who had been teaching in a Christian mission school in Parral, arrived at the border this morning from Parral with the first eyewitness story of the skirmish between the American troops and the mob in that town on Wednesday.

Miss Dunning, Principal of the school, who is staying at a local hotel, said of the Parral affair:

"It was noon on last Wednesday, and our native children were just quitting our school, which is on the Plaza de San Juan de Adios, when the American troops, covered with desert dust and looking as if they were worn out, rode into the plaza upon which our school faces. There were more than 100 of them—I didn't count them—and they rode into the plaza fully armed, and with their rifles in their holsters on the saddle. They dismounted in the plaza in front of our school, and the men sat down or reclined on their saddles, as if they were all saddle weary.

"A few of them went off to buy provisions, leaving their side arms with the remainder. We watched them from a window of the school, and they made no effort to establish camp, but acted as if they had just stopped for a rest. They came into the plaza from the direction of the Mexican Central station and rode down the narrow street single file.

"We heard shouts on La Prieta Hill, and, looking out of our upstairs window, we saw a great crowd of men, women, and children gathering there, and waving a ragged Mexican flag. We did not see the mob again until after the soldiers had started back the way they had come. We were told that a committee, headed by Mayor José de la Luz Herrera, had gone to the commander and warned him that the people were excited, and the troops had started to leave soon after.

"We heard a shot down by the station, and, running to our front door, we saw one of our soldiers fall, and then the firing on the mob started. Fearing an anti-American demonstration, we ran into our rooms and barricaded the door. We were told by an old Mexican that another soldier had been killed and forty Mexicans had been shot. Soon we heard troops passing, and, peeping out, we saw the Carranza soldiers going to scatter the mob. We left on Thursday morning, and there was no further trouble, although the feeling was tense. The people of Parral are against, not for, Villa, for they feared he would come there and loot and kill, but they wanted the Carranza soldiers and not the United States troops, to capture him."