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CAMPAIGN INTENSE FROM NOW ON IS PREDICTION.

Firing of First Shots at Mayaguez May be but a Forerunner of What is to Follow

ANXIETY OVER UNCERTAINTY

But Bill Dollar Enters the Field and Brings Hope; Votes up to \$6 This Year.

First shots in the 1920 campaign are reported from Mayaguez. There was no loss of life reported but after the police had cleared the streets there were found to be some thirty odd casualties.

True, the shots were from police guns and they were pointed to the stars, but unbiased observers in touch with political conditions over the island consider that with the affair at Mayaguez last Friday night the campaign may be considered fairly underway and they predict that it will go forward with interest and enthusiasm rapidly increasing. So far as can be learned there are to be no front porch candidates in the island, even candidates for local offices having determined to get as far away from their balconies as the plazas at least.

The Mayaguez incident resulted from a clash between Republicans and Unionists. Although no reason has been given for their clashing it is understood that, speaking purely politically, the Unionists and Republicans have no particular high regard for each other this year in Mayaguez. Without the full explanation of the police report it may be assumed that this is the case until evidence to the contrary is presented.

The Republicans, a thousand of them,

were on their way to a meeting when something happened to divert their attention and block their path near the plaza. Whatever it was that happened the police were on hand and the situation was such that they fired their guns at the start and wielded their sticks on a somewhat lower plane. When most of the crowd had dispersed there were 31 Republicans and two Unionists reported injured.

The weeks between now and November 2nd are going to be filled with spirited campaigning and there is said to be considerable uneasiness over the possibility of the struggle getting out of control.

In some sections there is a three-cornered fight between Unionists, Republicans and Socialists. Elsewhere the contest is more simple. But nowhere does the campaign lack intensity.

The outcome in San Juan seems to be giving a good deal of concern to all parties. Both Unionists and Republicans claim they will win the city. One of them may be mistaken. But a Unionist leader is reported as admitting the other day that in his opinion the contest in San Juan was so close that the vote of the registered continental Americans might swing it either way.

So far there has been no serious charge of the misuse of campaign funds. But the Unionists are reported to have all the money they want and it is said that in one district that has given them considerable worry that \$6 a vote will carry the district. There are a good many voters in the district, but the campaign fund is said to be sufficiently large to cover all legitimate expenses. Which only shows how prices have gone up.

A dollar a vote a few years ago was considered ample. Now just see where the market has gone.—*Porto Rico Progress, 24th Sept.*

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Despatching Secretary's Office, Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands of U. S. September 20th, 1920.

FRED. B. COLBY.
Despatching Secretary.

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