

July 1863

1. July 11, 1863 – Conservative Three-Man Junta is formed to run the Mexican Government:

A) The 3 men:

I. General Juan Almonte.

II. General Mariano Salas.

III. Archbishop Pelagio Labastida.

B) Convene:

I. Claim Mexico to be a Monarchy.

II. Pick Maximilian to rule.

August 1863

1. August 8, 1863 – Europe:

A) Louis informs Maximilian:

I. Mexican National Assembly in Mexico City:

(1) Has proclaimed him Emperor of Mexico.

2. Mexico City – Foray has caused problems:

A) As a Soldier he is great!

B) As a Statesman he stinks!

C) He has alienated the Church:

I. By not restoring Church lands.

D) Has insulted Mexican Officials:

I. By declaring himself to be Dictator.

3. Louis replaces Foray with Bazaine:

A) Bazaine:

I. 51 years old.

II. Patient.

III. Pure Soldier.

IV. Speaks fluent Spanish.

V. Has fought in:

(1) Algeria.

(2) Spain.

(3) Italy & the Crimea.

October 1863

1. October 2, 1863 – Estrada & Hidalgo:

A) Personally offer the Crown of Mexico to Maximilian.

B) Maximilian makes no commitment:

I. Says he must have a mandate from the Mexican people.

2. Results.....In Mexico:

A) FORCED signings of petitions throughout the country for Maximilian!

3. The War goes on.....:

A) Atrocities by both sides.

B) French:

I. Shoot or hang any Juarista they catch!!

C) Conservative General, Leonardo Marquez:

I. "Recruits" men:

(1) If they refuse....Used for live bayonet practice!

II. Juarista Women:

(1) Ties to trees by their breasts and flogs them.

March 1864

1. Louis entertains Maximilian & Charlotte in Paris:

A) Toasts them as the Emperor & Empress of Mexico.

B) Louis offers Maximilian a deal:

I. Use of 22,500 French Soldiers until 1867.

(1) By 1867 his Monarchy will have been established.

(2) By 1867 he will have his own loyal Mexican Army & Militia.

II. The use of 8,000 French Foreign Legionnaires until 1874.

C) What will Louis get in return?

I. Maximilian will pay France 265,000 Francs until 1867 for the use of the French Troops.

II. Any French Soldier used after that will cost Maximilian 1,000 Francs per Soldier per year.

D) Louis makes Maximilian a promise:

“France will not fail to back you!”

2. March 12, 1864 – Evening – Paris, France –

Maximilian signs the pact:

A) John Slidell:

I. Representative for the Confederate States of America, in Paris:

(1) Is present.

(2) Pledges the South to support Maximilian.

April 1864

- 1. April 10, 1864 – Mexican delegation, led by Estrada & Hidalgo visit Maximilian:**
 - A) Offer him the “Mandate of the Mexican people.”**
 - B) Offer him the Crown of Mexico!**
 - C) Maximilian accepts!**
 - D) Charlotte says...From this moment on:
 - I. She will be called “Carlotta” or “Carlota.”****

- 2. At this point...In Mexico...Fighting the Juaristas:**
 - A) 38,000 French Troops.**
 - B) 16,500 Imperialist Conservative Troops.**
 - C) Imperialist Guerrilla Force:
 - I. Led by Colonel Jean Dupin.**
 - II. In reality...Nothing more than terrorists, murderers, and bandits.****

- 3. April 14, 1864 – Maximilian & Carlotta board the frigate “Novara”:**
 - A) Sail for Mexico.**

- 4. Salaries of the Emperor & Empress:**
 - A) Maximilian:**

- I. 125,000 Pesos monthly.**
- II. 1,600,000 Pesos annually.**

B) Carlotta:

- I. 16,667 Pesos monthly.**
- II. 200,000 Pesos annually.**

5. Maximilian is optimistic about Mexico:

- A) Has a lot of pride.**
- B) Truly believes he is going to “save a nation of people at their request.”**
- C) Believes that all of Mexico’s problems will be solved when he takes the throne.**
- D) Believes his Imperial duties will be mainly social rather than political.**
- E) During the 6 week ocean voyage:**
 - I. Writes a 600 page book on:**
 - (1) Court Etiquette.**
 - (2) Court Placement.**
 - (3) Court Decorations**
 - (4) Medals.**
 - (5) Palace Guards.**
 - (6) Organization of a Royal Court.**

May 1864

1. May 28, 1864 – 2:00 – Afternoon:

A) Maximilian & Carlotta reach Veracruz.

B) NOBODY there to receive them!

C) 5 hours later....General Juan Almonte arrives to welcome them!!

2. May 29, 1864 – 4:30 – Morning – Veracruz:

A) Maximilian & Carlotta land.

B) Colonel Miguel Lopez is his Personal Bodyguard for the trip to Mexico City.

C) Not a single person to greet them in Veracruz!

D) Streets are deserted!!

3. Will receive “Welcome Celebrations” in Orizaba, Puebla, and Cholula from 50,000 Indians:

A) Why??

I. All 3 cities are under French military control & martial law!!

June 1864

1. June 12, 1864 – Maximilian & Carlotta enter Mexico City:

A) Tremendous welcome!

I. Cheering.

II. Fireworks.

III. Flowers.

IV. Mass.

B) Personally welcomed by General Tomas Mejia:

I. Humble, religious, man!

C) Many of the Indians believe he is Quetzalcoatl!!

I. These same Indians will prove to be followers of Maximilian rather than citizens of Juarez.

D) That night.....:

I. Cheered by tens of thousands from the Zocalo.

E) What is the National Palace like for the new Emperor & Empress?

I. Is unswept!

II. Beds are unmade!

III. Cockroaches are everywhere!

F) Where do they sleep their 1st night?

I. On pool tables!!!!!!!

2. June 20, 1864 – Maximilian & Carlotta move into Chapultepec Castle:

A) Have it completely redecorated!

B) Establish their country estate at Cuernavaca.

Early Actions Of Emperor Maximilian

- 1. Appoints Hidalgo as Ambassador to France.**
- 2. Orders the French blockade of the coast lifted.**
- 3. Orders captured Juaristas released.**
- 4. Visits everywhere.**
- 5. Becomes the “Godfather” of 100’s of Baptized Indian children.**
- 6. Believes he can do good for the Mexican people.**
- 7. Starts becoming sympathetic to Liberalism.**
- 8. On the National Palace tapestries, he has embroidered, the motto:
“Equality in Justice”**
- 9. Starts building his Government on Democratic Principles & Ideals.**
- 10. Does NOT repeal the Laws of Juarez!!**

A) Church, Wealthy, and Conservatives HATE this!

11. Becomes convinced the Indians love him.

12. Makes young, Jose Luis Blasio, his Personal Secretary:

A) Calls him: "The Child."

13. Feels a strong bond with the Mexican people.

14. Dresses like the people.

15. Loves Mexican food.

16. Calls the Mexican people: "My People."

17. Smiles and jokes with everyone.

18. When traveling in the country:

A) "Roughs-It" with his men.

Carlotta

- 1. Not as friendly as her husband.**
- 2. Visits schools.**
- 3. Visits hospitals.**
- 4. She sews nightshirts for the patients in the hospitals.**

Maximilian vs. The Church

1. Archbishop Labastida:

A) Demands that Maximilian immediately issue orders:

- I. Returning all Church Property.**
- II. Restoring all Church Rights.**

2. Maximilian doesn't return the lands!

A) Results?

I. Conservatives denounce him as a Liberal!!

B) Labastida sends an appeal to the Pope:

I. Asks him to put pressure on Maximilian.

3. November 29, 1864 – Envoy from the Pope arrives -

A) Monsignor, Pedro Meglia.

B) He tells Maximilian & Carlotta:

I. There will be no compromising.

II. Everything must be given back to the Church.

III. There will be NO freedom of religion.

IV. ONLY the Catholic Religion will be tolerated.

V. NO civil control over the Church.

4. Maximilian & Carlotta reply:

A) Not one letter of the law will be changed!

B) They are going to confiscate more Church lands to finance the Government!

5. Meglia is stunned!!!!

6. Maximilian is disgusted with the Church, the Wealthy, and the Conservatives!

More Actions of Maximilian

- 1. Doesn't approve of the Conservative policy of casually shooting Juarista prisoners.**
- 2. Improves education.**
- 3. Improves public health.**
- 4. Abolishes excessively long working days.**
- 5. Improves roads.**
- 6. Improves the railroads.**
- 7. Improves the mineral industry.**
- 8. Improves the breeds of cattle and horses.**
- 9. Abolishes peonage.**
- 10. Abolishes the forced draft.**
- 11. Abolishes corporal punishment.**

12. Abolishes the practice of passing on a father's debts to his children.

13. Offers Juarez the position of Personal Advisor & Prime Minister in his Imperial Cabinet:

A) IF, Juarez will accept!

B) Juarez doesn't even bother to answer:

I. Calls Maximilian: "The Foreigner."

14. Some of Maximilian's laws.....:

A) Conservatives will not publish or enforce them!!!!!!!!!!

Royalty of Maximilian & Carlotta

1. Spend extravagantly!

2. Have Austrian servants!

3. In 6 months they give or host:

A) 16 Balls!

B) 70 Luncheons!

C) 12 Receptions!

D) 20 Banquets:

I. A Banquet lasts 3 hours:

(1) 15 to 20 different wines will be served.

4. Wine bill for 1865....100,000 Pesos!

5. Maximilian commissions an artist to start painting 7 portraits of him!

6. Writes a careful set of regulations for the Navy he intends to build.

7. When traveling on the lakes...Carpeted canoes!

8. Dinner – Midnight – With Champagne!

The War in 1864

- 1. Bazaine and his Army take one Liberal town after another.**
- 2. Jalapa:**
 - A) Bazaine & 20,000 Men defeat a 4,000 Man Juarista force.**
- 3. Bazaine is never able to force the Juaristas into one big decisive battle!**
- 4. French General, Brincourt...Pushes Juarez steadily Northward:**
 - A) To San Luis Potosi.**
 - B) The Liberal Government exists in a carriage.**
 - C) To Chihuahua:**
 - I. Juarez buries the archives in a cave.**
- 5. Oaxaca:**
 - A) Bazaine defeats the Juarista Army of General Porfirio Diaz.**
 - B) Diaz is taken prisoner:**
 - I. Later...Aided by Liberal sympathizers:**
 - (1) Escapes!**

6. Diaz starts recruiting more men:

A) If a regiment deserts him:

I. Shoots every 10th man!

II. Sabers all the Officers to death!

7. Every town the French capture:

A) Becomes Conservative!

B) When the French leave....Becomes Liberal again!

8. Becomes a war of “No quarter.”

9. U.S. – Civil War – Very little in arms & munitions cross the border to the Juaristas:

A) Same time...French are gambling on a Southern victory!

December 1864

1. December 27, 1864 – Maximilian issues a Decree:

- A) Puts restrictions on the Church.**
- B) Declares freedom of religion.**
- C) Nationalizes Church property.**
- D) Clergy salaries will be paid out of state treasuries.**
- E) Government will regulate the Church.**

2. Results of the Decree?

- A) Completely alienates Maximilian from the Church.**
- B) Revenge...Church circulates rumors of Maximilian being sterile!**
- C) Revenge...Church circulates rumors of Carlotta having an affair with Belgian, Alfred Van der Smissen:**
 - I. Are they true?...We'll see later!**

April – 1865

1. Mexico – April 11, 1865 – Battle of Tacambaro:

A) 275 Belgians put under siege by:

I. 3,000 Juaristas under:

(1) General Arteaga.

B) 3 Juarista attacks are beaten back.

C) Surviving Belgians retreat into a Church.

D) Church is set on fire.

E) 195 Belgians surrender.

F) Arteaga orders all 195...shot!!!

2. April...United States...Civil War ends:

A) South loses!!

B) Result.....:

I. Hordes of arms & munitions flow across the border to the Juarista forces!

(1) Incidentally...Illegally!

3. President Andrew Johnson & Secretary of State, William Seward...Warn Louis:

A) His support of Maximilian is threatening

U.S./French relations:

I. He does nothing!!!

**4. General U.S. Grant orders General Phil Sheridan
& 100,000 Troops to the border:**

**A) They are to be prepared to move against the
“invaders” of Mexico if needed!**

August – 1865

1. August 15, 1865 – Juarez establishes his Government at Paseo del Norte.

2. German Priest, Father, Augustin Fischer:

A) Tells Maximilian:

I. He should adopt an heir.

September – 1865

1. September 16, 1865 – Maximilian makes an announcement:

A) The 2 grandsons of Iturbide are to be given the status of “Prince”:

I. Salvator Iturbide...14 years old...Now heir to the throne.

II. Agustin Iturbide...2 years old.

B) They will live in the National Palace!

C) Will be under the joint guardianship of Maximilian and the boys Aunt!

2. Carlotta is....STUNNED!!!

3. French Military Operations are becoming hopeless!

A) Juarista guerrilla bands are everywhere.

B) Bazain insists that Maximilian sign a decree giving him the power to:

I. Shoot all Juarista prisoners.

C) Maximilian refuses!

D) Bazaine insists!

October 1865 thru Winter of 1865-1866

1. October 4, 1865 – Maximilian signs “The Black Decree”:

A) Anyone captured with weapons is to be executed:

I. No appeals.

B) Results.....:

I. Atrocities on both sides escalate!

II. Peasant population totally turns against the French!

2. Michoacan:

A) Imperialist force under:

I. Raul Mendez & Alfred Van der Smissen.

B) Defeat and capture a large Juarista force.

C) All of the prisoners are shot!

3. Maximilian:

A) Spends the Winter of 1865-1866 at Cuernavaca.

B) Has an affair with...Concepcion Sedano y Leguizano:

I. 17 year old wife of his Gardner.

C) In August of 1866...She has a son!

D) 1867...She dies!

E) More on the boy later.....!!

February 12, 1866

1. U.S. Secretary of State, William Seward:

A) Issues a demand of Louis:

- I. Set a time frame for the French withdrawal from Mexico!**

2. At this point Louis has many problems:

A) Pressure from the United States.

B) His claims in Mexico.

C) The French Army in Mexico.

D) Maximilian.

E) The outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War.

March 1, 1866

1. Battle of Hacienda de Santa Isabel.

2. 1,900 Juaristas against 584 French.

3. French are forced to retreat:

A) By 7:30 – Morning – French have lost 102 killed & 82 captured!

4. Remaining French retreat to Parras:

A) Surrounded and put under siege for a solid 3 hours.

5. French will not surrender:

A) Hold out for 4 days.

B) Juaristas finally retreat.

Louis Acts

1. Louis sends secret orders to Bazaine in Mexico:

A) Begin troop withdrawals from Mexico.

B) To be done in 3 sections:

I. November of 1866.

II. March 1867.

III. December 1867.

2. Bazaine tells Maximilian of the orders!

A) Tells him he has no choice but to abdicate!

B) Maximilian agrees!

3. Carlotta is outraged with Maximilian's talk of abdication:

A) "I am an Empress, and I will remain an Empress!"

B) Tells her husband:

"Abdication is a cowardly retreat from the great obligations inherent in the family name of Hapsburg."

4. Maximilian changes his mind...Agrees with his wife!

5. Carlotta is worried about her husband:

A) He is drinking too much!

**I. 20 glasses of Champagne per day, PLUS,
wine!**

B) He is dressing “sloppy.”

**6. July 13, 1866 – Carlotta sails for Paris, France –
To talk to Louis!**

August – 1866

1. 1st week of August – Tampico falls to the Juaristas:

A) Imperialist Mayor is hanged!

2. Carlotta reaches Paris, France:

A) Asks to see the sick, bed-ridden, Louis.

B) She is on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

3. August 10th – 2:00 – Afternoon:

A) Grand Hotel – Paris, France.

B) Empress Eugenie visits Carlotta.

4. August 11th – Noon:

A) Carlotta visits Louis.

B) Talk politely for 1 ½ hours.

C) Then...Carlotta starts raving at Louis!

D) He promises to talk to his ministers!

E) Servant brings in Orange Juice...Slamming a door:

I. She is literally startled into silence!

F) She returns to her hotel room:

I. Pale & sick!

5. August 12th – Carlotta is visited by the French Ministers:

A) They turn down her request!

6. August 13th – Carlotta visits the French Ministers:

A) Shows them letters written by Louis to Maximilian:

I. Promising full-aid from France.

B) She rages at the Ministers.

C) Louis is embarrassed!

7. August 14th – French Ministers & Council vote:

A) Unanimous...Withdraw the French Army from Mexico!

8. August 18th – Afternoon:

A) Louis visits Carlotta.

B) Tells her of the decision.

C) She goes into raving hysterics.

D) Will not sleep for 2 nights.

E) Starts imagining she is going to be poisoned!

9. Thereafter...She only eats Oranges and Nuts:

A) Claims Louis is Satan!

B) Claims she has seen the 4 Horsemen of the Apocalypse...And...They all have the face of Louis!

10. August 23rd – Carlotta leaves Paris:

A) Heads for Rome to see the Pope!

September 1866

1. September 25th – Late Night:

A) Carlotta arrives in Rome.

B) She is 26 years old...She looks 66!!!

2. September 27th – 11:00 – Morning:

A) Carlotta visits the Pope.

B) Talk for 1 ½ hours.

C) Tells him...Dreams have revealed to her:

I. Louis is actually the Devil!

D) Begs the Pope to save her from being poisoned by Louis!

3. September 28th – Carlotta visits the Pope again:

A) Talking...Servant brings in Chocolate...Door slams...She is startled...Becomes hysterical... Then shaking and silence!!

B) Later that day:

I. Pope comes to her hotel room to visit her.

II. Realizes she is mentally ill!!!

4. September 30th – 8:00 – Morning:

A) Has her Lady-In-Waiting take her to a public fountain “so she can drink!”

B) 10:00 – That night – Dressed in black – Goes to the Vatican:

I. Talks to the Pope.

II. Guards finally have to take her away.

III. She starts screaming that they are Louis' assassins!!

C) To calm her down...She is allowed to spend the night in the Vatican.

D) She writes letters of farewell to friends:

I. Claims she is about to be murdered!

October 1866

1. October 1st – Rome:

A) Carlotta is back at her hotel:

I. Has chickens brought into her room for eggs and food!

B) Will drink from a different public fountain each day!

C) Is totally insane!

2. October 7th – Night – Brother arrives to take her back home!

3. October 9th – Carlotta & her Brother leave Rome:

A) Head for Miramar.

B) Once there...She is declared insane!

4. October 18th – Mexico – Maximilian receives a cable:

A) Tells him Carlotta is ill.

B) Tells him she is under the care of Dr. Reidel.

C) Maximilian asks his Staff Physician, Dr. Samuel Basch, if he knows Dr. Reidel:

I. “Oh, yes of course, he’s the Director of the Vienna Lunatic Asylum!”

5. With this news...Maximilian writes a letter of abdication.

6. October 20th – 2:00 – Morning – Maximilian ships his baggage to Veracruz:

A) Leaves Mexico City.

B) Goes to Orizaba...Spends 6 weeks here.

C) Relaxes.

D) Catches Butterflies.

E) Prepares to leave Mexico.

F) Spends long hours conversing with Father Augustine Fischer.

G) Fischer tells him:

I. If he abdicates and leaves...Carlotta's sacrifice will be in vain!

II. Life in Europe for a dethroned Monarch will be dull!

III. The Hapsburg name will forever be stained!

IV. A Hapsburg never retreats!

7. Maximilian is inspired!

A) Returns to Mexico City.

B) Recants his abdication,

November 1866

1. The only 5 areas controlled by the Imperialist

Forces are:

- A) Mexico City.**
- B) San Luis Potosi.**
- C) Queretaro.**
- D) Puebla.**
- E) Veracruz.**

January 1867

1. Juaristas take:

- A) Guadalajara.**
- B) Guayamas.**
- C) Monterrey.**
- D) Saltillo.**
- E) Tampico.**
- F) Mazatlan.**

2. The Juaristas are closing in on Mexico City:

- A) Diaz from the South.**
- B) Juarez from the North.**

February 1867

- 1. February 5th – 9:00 – Morning – Mexico City:**
 - A) Maximilian and his friends watch as:**
 - I. Last French Troops leave!**
 - B) Maximilian: “Now, Gentlemen, at long last I am free.”**
 - C) The French have lost 5,349 total dead:**
 - I. 1,948 of them Legionnaires.**

- 2. The Imperialist Army is commanded by “The 3 M’s”:**
 - A) General Leonardo Marquez.**
 - B) General Tomas Mejia.**
 - C) General Miguel Miramon.**

- 3. The primary Juarista Commanders are:**
 - A) General Porfirio Diaz.**
 - B) General Mariano Escobedo.**
 - C) General Corona.**
 - D) General Regules.**
 - E) General Palacio.**

- 4. February 10th – General Miramon with 4,000 Men:**

A) Brilliant raid on Zacatecas. Defeats the Juarista Force.

B) Nearly captures Juarez himself.

5. Same day...Imperialist Forces start evacuating Mexico City.

6. February 12th – Battle of San Jacinto:

A) General Mariano Escobedo counterattacks Miramon.

B) Routes Miramon!

C) Juaristas re-take Zacatecas.

D) Miramon escapes but.....:

I. The 3,000 man Army is killed, wounded, or captured:

(1) Among the captured are 101 Legionnaires who have volunteered to stay in Mexico:

a. All are shot!

E) Miramon & Marquez escape to Queretaro.

7. Maximilian is urged by his council to leave Mexico City:

A) To join Miramon & Marquez.

B) To take command of the Imperial Army.

- 8. February 13th – At the head of a 9,000 man Army:**
- A) Maximilian leaves Mexico City.**
 - B) Heads for Queretaro.**
 - C) He is suffering from dysentery.**
- 9. February 18th – The French Army starts sailing from Veracruz:**
- A) Will go on thru March 11th.**
 - B) 29,033 Men & 35 horses...Leave!**
- 10. February 19th – Maximilian reaches Queretaro:**
- A) Has 9,750 men.**
 - B) Is put under siege by 40,000 Juaristas led by:
I. General Mariano Escobedo.**
 - C) Town is a terrible “defensive position”:
I. Open on all sides.
II. Sits down like in a saucer.
III. Has 2 primary defensive positions:
(1) Hill of the Bells...1,500 meters West of the town.
(2) The College of the Cross...Part Convent, part Fortress, massive stone walls, a Chapel, and extensive Patios.**
 - D) The siege will last for 72 days!**
 - E) In the beginning...The Juaristas:**

I. Take a terrible beating.

II. Take heavy losses...Why?

**(1) Lack of communication between
Escobedo and his front lines.**

F) Marquez:

**I. Leads several daring raids on isolated
Juarista camps:**

(1) Kills 100's!

(2) Captures badly needed supplies!

March – 1867

- 1. Maximilian needs reinforcements.**
- 2. Maximilian promotes General Marquez to Lt. General...Gives him 1,130 Dragoons and orders!**
 - A) Break thru the Juarista lines!**
 - B) Reach Mexico City.**
 - C) Raise an Army.**
 - D) Return.**
 - E) Attack the Juaristas from the rear.**
- 3. March 22nd – Night – Marquez and his force leave.**
- 4. March 26th – Marquez reaches Mexico City:**
 - A) Forcefully raises money & men.**
- 5. Same day – At Puebla – The Imperialist Forces under General Noriega are put under siege by:**
 - A) Juaristas under General Porfirio Diaz.**
 - B) Diaz captures 300 Imperialist Troops:**
 - I. In full view of the city...Shoots them all!**
- 6. Marquez hears of the siege at Puebla:**

A) Forgets Maximilian.

B) Forgets his orders.

C) Takes his Army to attack Diaz.

7. General Noriega doesn't know Marquez is on the way!

April – 1867

- 1. April 4th – Noriega surrenders his Army and the city of Puebla to Diaz.**

- 2. Marquez makes the mistake of attacking Diaz at Puebla:**
 - A) At San Lorenzo...Marquez is routed!**
 - B) He is literally chased to the gates of Mexico City!**
 - C) Marquez has lost an Army of 4,000 men killed, wounded, or captured!**

- 3. The Juaristas in Mexico City have won over most of the people:**
 - A) Marquez is afraid of being shot!**
 - I. Goes into hiding.**
 - II. Disguises himself as a peasant.**
 - III. Escapes to Veracruz.**
 - IV. Flees to Cuba.**
 - V. Lives out the remaining 40 years of his life in Havana.**
 - VI. As a Pawnbroker.**
 - VII. 1913...At age 93...Dies.**

May - 1867

- 1. Queretaro...Conditions are critical...Juaristas have the town totally surrounded:**
 - A) People are starving.**
 - B) Have eaten all the food.**
 - C) Have eaten all the pets.**
 - D) Have eaten all the rats, etc.!**

- 2. May 11th - Acqueduct is cut:**
 - A) No water!**
 - B) Can't drink from the river because of the corpses in it!**

- 3. Epidemics of all kinds of diseases break out!**

- 4. Maximilian is living no better than his soldiers.**

- 5. Maximilian sends a message to Juarez:**
 - A) Asks to bargain!**
 - B) Juarez refuses!**

- 6. Maximilian calls for a council of war:**
 - A) Decide to make a full-scale attack!**
 - B) At the weakest point of the Juarista lines!**

C) Fight clear.

D) Re-group in the hills of the Sierra Gorda.

E) Join up with Mejia's Indian Army there.

F) Break-out is set for midnight of May 14-15!

7. Enter...Colonel Miguel Lopez:

A) Turns traitor.

B) Slips out of Queretaro.

C) Meets with Escobedo.

D) Tries to bargain for Maximilian's life:

I. Answer is "NO!"

E) Deal is made:

I. He will lead Escobedo and his men into town.

II. In return, he gets his life, liberty, and 2,000 Pesos in Gold!

F) Before dawn....Lopez slips back into town:

I. Asks Maximilian to postpone the departure until...:

(1) 3:00 in the morning of the 15th!

II. Tells Maximilian he needs more time to prepare for the battle!

G) Maximilian says: "OK!"

8. Midnight – May 14 & 15, 1867 – Lopez:

A) Leads the Juarista forces into the town:

- I. Through a path of trenches and barricades!**
- B) He then leaves them!**

9. May 15, 1867:

- A) 4:30 – Morning – Lopez rushes into Prince Felix Zu Salm-Salm's room:**

- I. Salm:**

- (1) German.**
- (2) Maximilian's primary strategist.**
- (3) Has fought with distinction in the American Civil War as a Northern Commander.**

- B) Lopez tells Salm to save the Emperor...That the enemy is in the city!**

- C) Salm warns Maximilian:**

- I. They start to cross the courtyard.**

- D) Stopped by a Juarista patrol led by Lt. Jose Gallardo and COL. MIGUEL LOPEZ!**

- I. Gallardo has been paid off by Lopez!**

- II. Gallardo tells his men to let them go...That they are civilians.**

- E) Maximilian reaches the Hill of the Bells:**

- I. Has only 200 men.**

- II. Is surrounded.**

- III. To fight is useless.**

IV. Miramon is wounded.

V. Watch as the town is taken.

F) 6:30 – Morning – Maximilian....Surrenders his sword to General Escobedo:

I. The 72 day siege is over.

10. May 17, 1867 – Execution of Imperialist Commander, Raul Mendez:

A) To be shot for war crimes:

I. Has ordered the executions of Arteaga & Salazar.

B) Placed in the position of a traitor:

I. On his knees.

II. Hands tied together.

III. Facing away from the firing squad.

C) At the command to “Fire”:

I. He twists around to face the Firing Squad!

II. Impact of the bullets knock him on his back.

III. He is not dead.

IV. Officer walks up to administer the coup ‘d grace.

V. Mendez points behind his ear.

VI. Officer blows his brains out!

Maximilian & the Coming Trial

1. Escobedo offers Maximilian safe conduct out of the country:

A) IF, he will abdicate!

B) Maximilian says ONLY if his Officers are allowed to go with him!

C) Escobedo's reply is: "No!"

2. Maximilian, Mejia, and Miramon are to stand trial:

A) Maximilian faces 5 charges:

I. Signing the "Black Decree."

II. Illegally governing Mexico.

III. Threatening the freedom & independence of Mexico.

IV. Being the primary instrument of foreign intervention.

V. Violating the 1862 law that says...Anyone plotting against Mexican independence is a traitor!

Maximilian's Trial, Execution, & After

- 1. June 13, 1867 – Iturbide Theatre – Trial opens:**
 - A) Tried by 7 Army Officers:**
 - I. Man in charge...Lt. Col. Pluton Sanchez.**
 - II. 6 Captains.**
 - B) Due to bad health...Maximilian cannot attend his own trial.**
 - C) The vote:**
 - I. 3 vote for banishment.**
 - II. 3 vote for death.**
 - III. Sanchez casts the deciding vote...DEATH!**
 - D) Execution is set for:**
 - I. 3 days away.**
 - II. June 16, 1867 – 3:00 – Afternoon.**

- 2. Pleas to spare the life of Maximilian flow in from all over the world.**

- 3. Princess Salm-Salm visits Juarez:**
 - A) Pleads for Maximilian's life.**
 - B) on her knees...She begs.**
 - C) Juarez tells her he cannot grant her request:**
 - I. Tells her it is not HE who takes his life, but, the LAW!**

4. June 16, 1867 – Father Soria administers the 3 men their Last Rites:

A) Confessions are heard.

B) 3:00 – Afternoon....Nothing happens!!

I. The 3 men are told:

(1) Juarez has granted them a 3 day stay of execution.

5. June 19, 1867:

A) Before dawn:

I. 3 men are awakened.

II. Taken to Mass.

III. Holy Communion.

IV. Confession.

V. Last Rites.

B) Breakfast:

I. Chicken – Wine – Bread – Coffee.

C) Maximilian dresses:

I. Black.

II. White Sombrero.

III. Stuffs his shirt with 6 handkerchiefs:

(1) To staunch the flow of blood.

D) Maximilian tells the other 2 men: “What a glorious day! I have always wanted to die on just such a day.”

- E) 3 separate carriages with 3 separate Priests:**
- I. Driven to the Hill of the Bells.**
 - II. 4,000 Soldiers lined up as witnesses.**
 - III. Band is playing “The Dead March.”**
- F) Maximilian takes off his hat:**
- I. Gives his watch to Father Soria with instructions:**
 - (1) To give it to Carlotta.**
- G) Are 3 Firing Squads:**
- I. 7 men in each.**
- H) Maximilian walks up to the Firing Squads:**
- I. Forgives each man.**
 - II. Gives each a Gold Piece.**
 - III. Points to his heart: “Boys, aim well, aim right here.”**
- I) Maximilian walks to the wall:**
- I. Is standing in the middle.**
 - II. Turns to Miramon:**

“General, a brave man must be honored by his sovereign even in the hour of death. Permit me to give you the place of honor.”
 - III. Lets Miramon have the middle and stands to his left.**
- J) Maximilian tells the Officer in charge:**
- “At your disposition Senor”:**

- I. Is asked if he has any last words.
 - II. "I pardon all and pray they will also pardon me. May my blood put an end to the misfortunes of my new country. Long live Mexico. Long live Independence."
- K) Mejia & Miramon yell out: "Long live the Emperor!"**
- L) Massive volley!!**
- I. All 3 men are knocked down.
 - II. Mejia & Miramon are killed instantly.
 - III. Maximilian is twitching and murmuring – "Hombre, hombre":
 - (1) Rifle to heart...Coup 'd Grace!
- 6. Maximilian's body is embalmed:**
- A) Brow has been shattered by one of the lead balls:**
- I. Has destroyed his eyes.
 - II. They are replaced with artificial eyes.
- 7. November 1867 – Maximilian's body leaves Mexico.**
- 8. January 16, 1868 – Maximilian's body arrives in Austria:**

A) Buried!

9. 1868 – Carlotta is told of his death!

10. Finish...For some of those involved:

A) Miguel Lopez:

I. Never receives his “Judas Money.”

II. Bitten by a rabid dog.

III. Dies of Rabies.

B) Pluton Sanchez:

I. Later...Killed by his own men!

C) Prince Salm-Salm:

**I. Killed in battle in the Franco-Prussian War.....
BY, the French!**

11. Was Carlotta pregnant with Alfred Van der Smissen’s baby when she left Mexico??

A) Did she have a son?

B) She WAS kept in total seclusion!

C) Was the “son” General Jacque Weygand??

I. Education is mysteriously paid for with Royal Belgian Money!

II. He looked like both...Carlotta & Van der Smissen!

12. Carlotta is never aware WW I is fought!

13. January 16, 1927 – Castle of Bouchout – Family Estate – Near Brussels – At age 87:

A) Carlotta dies!

**B) On that date...Weygand receives a telegram:
“Your mother has just died. Further
information is available.”**

14. Did Maximilian have a son??

A) WW I...Man called “Sedano”:

I. Tried in France as “The Son of Maximilian.”

II. As a spy for the Germans.

III. Looks like Maximilian...Beard and all.

**IV. October 10, 1917 – At age 51 – Shot by a
FRENCH firing squad!**

Mexico:

1867

To

1876

Mexico After – War With Maximilian

- 1. Commerce is in ruin.**
- 2. Industry is in ruin.**
- 3. Agriculture is in ruin.**
- 4. Education is at “rock-bottom.”**
- 5. Two major areas of suffering for the rest of the 19th Century & into the 20th are:**
 - A) Political Stability.**
 - B) Economic Growth.**

1867

1. July 15, 1867 – Simple black carriage:

A) Juarez enters Mexico City.

B) Followed by his, Minister of State, Sebastian Lerdo de Tejada:

I. Bachelor.

II. Immaculate dresser.

III. Great speaker.

IV. Loves flattery.

V. Society loves him.

VI. Women love him.

C) Juarez is unhappy with the entrance...Why?

I. Because General Porfirio Diaz has set up a large celebration!!

(1) Juarez doesn't like large, expensive, celebrations!!

a. No matter that Diaz has spent 20,000 Pesos of his OWN money on it!

D) Diaz is dressed in a magnificent uniform with gold braid and polished boots!

I. Mounted on a white horse.

E) Diaz goes to meet Juarez:

I. Juarez grudgingly nods!

II. Signals the Coachman to drive on!

III. Diaz is stunned!!!

(1) Has been snubbed.

(2) Is outraged.

(3) Will not forget it! Vows to get even with Juarez!

F) 2nd Carriage – Tejada – Has seen all:

I. Gives Diaz a ride in his carriage.

2. Juarez distrusts & dislikes Generals:

A) They're useful in winning wars...BUT:

I. In times of peace they're a threat!

3. October of 1867 – Juarez is elected to a 3rd Term as President.

4. Juarez reduces the Army by 2/3's:

A) From 60,000 to 20,000.

B) Then, from 20,000 to 16,000.

C) He simply sends away 44,000 men with a few words of thanks...And...No more!

D) Result?

I. Many of the soldiers go back to Guerrilla Warfare...Against him!

(1) They vow to overthrow his Government.

5. Juarez retains General Sostenes Rocha:

A) Is a “watchdog”:

- I. Energetic.**
- II. Loves to put down revolts ruthlessly.**
- III. Bad temper.**
- IV. Heavy drinker.**

6. Diaz resigns his commission as General:

A) Retires to his native state of Oaxaca.

B) In gratitude for his wartime service...Citizens of Oaxaca:

I. Give him a large Hacienda:

(1) He names it “La Noria.”

C) He settles down:

I. Supposedly raising sugar cane:

(1) BUT...In the back he builds a foundry:

a. Starts making artillery!!

1868

1. Mexico:

A) Treasury is empty.

B) Internal Debt is growing steadily:

I. Now, over 300 million Pesos.

C) Roads are infested with bandits.

D) Bureaucrats work very little at their jobs.

E) Remnants of the Imperial Army:

I. Still raiding rural towns.

2. Juarez appoints Matias Romero as Secretary of the Treasury:

A) Attempt to stave off bankruptcy!

B) Romero works very hard!

I. More schools are built.

II. More roads are built.

III. More roads are improved.

1869

1. Congress creates “The Rurales”:

- A) To stop rural banditry.**
- B) More...Later.**

2. Bad drought starts the year off:

- A) Results....Famine!**

3. Hurricane-Type storm hits the border of El Paso, Texas:

- A) Changes the course of the Rio Grande.**
- B) Thus...Altering the International Boundary between the U.S. and Mexico.**
- C) El Paso gains 630 acres from Mexico.**

4. Juarez deals with each problem as it comes up:

- A) He staves off financial ruin.**
- B) He encourages Industry.**
- C) He calls in English Engineers:
 - I. To finish the Veracruz to Mexico City Railroad started in 1850.****
- D) He sets up a school system:
 - I. Education is made free and obligatory!****

5. Literature:

A) Ignacio Altamirano:

I. Writes Classical Novels.

B) Orozco y Berra:

I. Writes Mexican History.

C) Jose Fernandez Ramirez:

I. Writes Mexican History.

1870

1. Juarez:

A) At age 64....Suffers a Stroke:

I. Will recover.

1871

1. January – Juarez's wife dies.

2. Election year:

A) Juarez decides to run for a 4th term:

I. Reform Party.

B) Lerdo de Tejada splits from Juarez and decides to run:

I. This will take votes from Juarez.

C) Porfirio Diaz runs:

I. Constitutionalist Party.

II. He is heavily supported by the Army.

3. Election results:

A) Juarez.....5,837.

B) Diaz.....3,555.

C) Tejada.....2,847.

4. NO CLEAR MAJORITY!!!

5. Election falls to Congress:

A) Elect...:

I. Juarez.....President.

II. Sebastian Lerdo de Tejada....Vice President.

6. October – Diaz:

A) denounces the election as a fraud!

7. November 8, 1871 – Diaz:

A) “Pronounces” against Juarez:

I. Revolts:

(1) Under the Plan de Noria.

8. Juarez sends General Rocha to put down the revolt:

A) Will turn his soldiers loose on a Pro-Diaz crowd:

I. 200 men, women, and children are killed.

9. Oaxaca - Rocha defeats Diaz’s brother, Felix:

A) Felix Diaz attempts to get away:

I. He is captured by Indians from the village of Juchitan:

(1) They denounce him as a heretic because his soldiers have broken the statue of their Patron Saint:

a. They stone him to death!!

10. Rocha – Burns “La Noria.”

11. Diaz disguises himself as a Priest:

A) Flees into the mountains.

B) In Nayarit....Takes refuge with an Indian Chief named "Lozada":

I. Lozada commands an Indian Rebel Army.

12. December 1, 1871 – Juarez is sworn into office.

1872 & 1873

1. Secretary of the Treasury, Matias Romero, has worked some “economic miracles.”

2. July 18, 1872 – Morning – National Palace:

A) Juarez walks up the stairs to his office.

B) Sits at his desk.

C) It is 11:30 – Morning.

D) Slumps over with a heart attack.

E) He is dead!!

F) Mexico will go into mourning for weeks!

3. Summary of Benito Pablo Juarez:

A) Has made Mexico Independent from Europe.

B) Has given his country a Constitution based on principles & ideals.

C) Tragically....The problems of his country were too great for him to solve in his lifetime.

4. Tejada takes over as President:

A) Offers full amnesty to all Political Outlaws:

I. IF....They lay down their arms within 15 days.

5. Diaz accepts Tejada’s offer:

A) Goes to Mexico City:

I. Pays his respects to Tejada.

6. Tejada apologizes to Diaz for Rocha burning “La Noria” during the revolt:

A) Offers financial support for Diaz to start all over in Veracruz:

I. Diaz accepts:

(1) He opens a furniture store in the small village of La Candelaria:

a. Later....Diaz will run for Congress and win.

7. October – Elections:

A) Winner....Sebastian Lerdo de Tejada:

I. Keeps the Juaristas in Governmental power.

8. Tejada expands education and builds more schools.

9. 1873 – The Veracruz to Mexico City Railroad is completed:

A) It is hailed as one of the greatest engineering feats of it’s day:

I. Because of the many curves and gradients.

1874

1. Santa Anna is granted amnesty:

A) Allowed to return to Mexico.

2. 8,000 schools have been opened.

3. School enrollment is at 350,000:

A) BUT....There are still 2 million children not attending school!

4. Public starts to become disenchanted with Tejada.

5. Army turns against Tejada because he treats them with contempt.

6. He is unpopular with the U.S. because:

A) Will not allow a Railroad to be built connecting the border with Mexico City:

I. Tejada's logic: "Between weakness and strength there should lie a desert."

7. Tejada announces he will seek a 2nd term:

A) Announcement is not popular.

1876

- 1. March – Diaz “pronounces” against Tejada:**
 - A) Under the Plan de Tuxtepec.**
 - B) Plan is issued from Diaz’s furniture shop in La Candelaria:**
 - I. Calls for “Effective suffrage and no re-election.”**

- 2. Diaz slips into the United States:**
 - A) To solicit finances for his revolt.**
 - B) Back in Mexico.....:**
 - I. 100’s of ex-soldiers rush to join him.**

- 3. Late March – Diaz re-enters Mexico:**
 - A) Thru the border town of Matamoros.**
 - B) Takes the town without a shot being fired.**

- 4. With 2,500 men – Diaz heads for Monterrey.**

- 5. At Icamole....Diaz is badly defeated by Tejada’s troops.**

- 6. Diaz flees back across the border into Texas:**
 - A) Goes to New York.**

B) Disguises himself as a Cuban Doctor.

C) Sails to Tampico:

I. His disguise fools the Port Officials.

D) Disguised as a Stevedore:

I. Sneaks into Veracruz.

II. Hides until dark.

E) Goes to the house of loyal friend, Col. Enrique:

I. Enrique gives him a horse.

F) Dawn....He is on his way to Oaxaca....The stronghold of his revolt!

7. June 20, 1876 – Mexico City:

A) At age 81.

B) Totally penniless.

C) Santa Anna dies.

8. July – Election:

A) Tejada wins the Presidency:

I. His Vice President is....Jose Maria Iglesias.

9. To this point in history.....The Presidency of Mexico has changed hands.....75 times!!!

A) For every Constitutional President...There have been 4 Interim, Provisional, or Irregular Presidents!!

10. Conditions of Mexico:

- A) Mines are in pathetic shape.**
- B) Agriculture is almost “going backward.”**
- C) Treasury is empty.**
- D) Many, many, Foreign Debts.**
- E) Ports are in pathetic shape.**
- F) Telegraph construction is barely starting.**
- G) Graft is common.**
- H) Country’s Credit Rating is a joke.**
- I) Tremendous amount of rural violence.**
- J) High infant mortality rate.**
- K) Too many Bureaucrats.**

11. Tejada sees no reason to go after what he calls “Diaz and his little band of rebels”:

- A) After all....He has General Escobedo and his Army to guard Mexico City.**

12. Vice President, Jose Maria Iglesias, is a stickler for the law:

- A) He questions Tejada’s right to the Presidency:
 - I. Says the Election was not valid!**
 - (1) Why?...Some of the States have failed to vote due to the Diaz Revolt.****

- 13. In a fit of rage....Tejada orders Iglesias exiled from Mexico!**

- 14. Iglesias gathers an Army....Flees to Guanajuato:**
 - A) Proclaims himself President...Until...An election can be held.**

- 15. Diaz and his Army moves into Orizaba.**

- 16. General Escobedo refuses to oppose Diaz.**

- 17. General Alatorre and his Army are sent to stop Diaz.**

- 18. November 16, 1876 – Battle of Tecoac:**
 - A) State of Tlaxcala.**
 - B) Diaz fights Alatorre to a standstill.**
 - C) Both sides await reinforcements:**
 - I. Whoever gets them first will win!**
 - D) General Manuel Gonzalez shows up first....To help Diaz!**
 - E) Diaz attacks.**
 - F) Diaz wins!**
 - G) Path to Mexico City is now open!!!**

19. November 19, 1876 – Tejada empties the Treasury:

A) Heads for Acapulco.

20. November 21, 1876 – Diaz and his Army enter Mexico City.

21. Tejada sails into exile....Goes into the United States.

22. Diaz and Iglesias meet and talk:

A) Iglesias knows that it is useless to oppose Diaz.

23. Iglesias goes into voluntary exile.

24. Diaz....The man who will rule Mexico for the next 1/3 of a century....Is now in power!

The Years Of Diaz

“The Porfiriata”

1876-1910

Background – Diaz

1. Jose de la Cruz Porfirio Diaz:

A) Born – September 15, 1830 – Oaxaca.

B) Full-Blood Mixteca Indian:

I. Later....He will claim to be Mestizo.

C) Son of an Innkeeper.

D) Poor childhood.

E) Studies for the Priesthood.

F) Studies law under Benito Juarez.

G) 1856 – Member of the Oaxaca Militia:

I. Like a National Guard.

H) War of Reform....Fights for the Liberals.

I) By age 32....Brig. General.

J) 1861 – Wins a Congressional seat.

K) War of the French Intervention:

I. Fights for Juarez.

II. Juarez always called him “The Man of Stone.”

III. Wounded twice.

IV. Captured twice.

V. Escaped twice.

VI. Wins the 3rd Battle of Puebla.

VII. Re-takes Mexico City.

L) Good Soldier.

M) Good Commander.

N) Very Smart.

O) 1871 – Wins a Congressional seat.

P) 1876 – Helps drive Tejada out of office.

1877

1. From 1877 to 1910....The population of Mexico grows from 10 million to 15 million.

2. Diaz calls for an election:

A) He runs for the Presidency on the slogan:

I. "Effective Suffrage and No Re-Election."

B) Wins by a landslide.

3. February 17, 1877 – Diaz takes office:

A) To complete the unexpired term of Tejada:

I. Or, until, November 1880.

4. Actions of Diaz:

A) Buries grudges.

B) Ignores prejudices.

C) Accepts everybody as "friends."

D) Forgives the remaining Imperialists.

E) Starts negotiating with U.S. firms to build Railroads in Mexico.

F) Makes the Army into "11 Armies":

I. Both friends and enemies as Commanders:

(1) Why?.....For control!!!

II. From 1876 to 1910 he:

(1) Reduces the Army from 30,000 to 14,000.

(2) Reduces the Generals by 25%.

G) Exiles a few of the old Juarez supporters.

H) Sells more Church Lands.

I) Allows complete Freedom of Religion.

J) Collects Taxes.

K) Will eventually consolidate and pay off the National Debt.

L) His rule is “Pan o Palo”.....Bread or the Stick.

5. Will eventually:

A) Control Mexico politically, socially, militarily, and economically.

6. How does he achieve this stability and political supremacy?

A) Skillful use of Violence.

B) Electoral Fraud.

C) Centralization of Authority at the expense of Local Autonomy.

7. Diaz expands the Rurales....Rural Police:

A) Headed by Russian, Emilio Kosterlitzky.

B) Most members are/or were Outlaws.

- C) In other words, Diaz is using “thieves to catch thieves.”**
- D) In reality, you have legalized thieves in fancy uniforms.**
- E) Uniforms:**
- I. Gray or Brown in color.**
 - II. Charro type uniform.**
 - III. Sometimes made of suede trimmed with Silver embroidery.**
 - IV. Felt Sombreros trimmed with silver.**
 - V. Silver Spurs.**
 - VI. Beautiful saddles with red blankets.**
 - VII. Well-Mounted.**
 - VIII. Well-Armed.**
- F) Promised regular high pay if they keep the law in rural areas and bring in:**
- I. Bandits.**
 - II. Recruits.**
 - III. Prisoners.**
- G) They cause a sharp decline in crime immediately.**
- H) They will commit every crime imaginable against the rural population of Mexico....With legal immunity:**
- I. Murder.**

II. Rape.

III. Robbery.

IV. Theft.

V. Pillage.

I) Will freely exercise “Ley Fuga”....A Diaz Law....

Shot while trying to escape!

I. It is the right to fire on escaping prisoners.

II. Exonerates the Rurales from murder.

III. An average of 300 per year are killed under

Ley Fuga:

(1) During La Porfiriata....10,000!!!

J) Create a virtual reign of terror in rural Mexico.

K) State of Hidalgo:

I. Indians resist them trying to steal Indian lands:

(1) Rurales bury them up to their necks.

(2) Gallop horses over them.

Economy Under Diaz

1. Gold production:

- A) 1.5 million Pesos worth in 1877.**
- B) Over 40 million Pesos in 1908.**

2. Silver production:

- A) 24.8 million Pesos in 1877.**
- B) Over 85 million Pesos in 1908.**

3. Bean production:

- A) From 1877 to 1910....Falls 25%.**

4. Corn production:

- A) 2.5 million tons in 1877.**
- B) Falls to under 2 million tons in 1910.**

1879

1. June – Diaz is informed:

A) Group of Tejada followers are holding meetings in Veracruz.

B) Told they are plotting to overthrow his Government.

C) Diaz sends orders to the Governor, Mier y Teran:

I. Round up all the suspects.

II. Shoot them.

D) 9 men are rounded up:

I. No trial.

II. Shot!!

E) Later....Discovered:

I. None of the 9 men have been remotely connected with any form of a conspiracy.

1880

1. Diaz's 1st wife dies.

2. Is an election year:

A) Diaz has served under the slogan:

“Effective Suffrage and No Re-Election.”

B) Cannot mock himself and run again.

C) Picks a “stooge” he can control and get elected:

I. General Manuel Gonzalez:

(1) Vain.

(2) Army Man.

(3) Loves to be flattered by his “friends.”

3. Gonzalez is elected.

4. Presidency of Gonzalez:

A) Rampant with graft and corruption.

B) Gives his friends huge tracts of Land.

C) Gives his friends Haciendas.

D) Gives his friends Loans.

E) Gives his friends Contracts.

F) Depletes the Treasury.

G) He gets a “personal” margin of profit on every Government Contract.

H) Gives away FREE to American Surveyors:

I. 1/3 of all the land they survey!

I) Sells land at a fraction of it’s value and on easy terms.

5. Foreigners complain about the old Spanish Mining Laws:

A) “The state, not the landholder, owns all subsoil mineral rights.”

B) Foreigners claim they will no longer spend money in Mexico as long as this law is in effect!

6. What does Gonzalez do?

A) He changes the law!!!

B) Now, he has not only sold and given away Mexican land, BUT, also her mineral wealth!!

7. Result.....STAMPEDE of Foreign Mining Engineers into Mexico:

A) The exportation of precious metals skyrockets!!!!

8. During this period.....:

A) The telephone is introduced into Mexico.

B) The Rich in Mexico undergo a transformation:

I. BUT....NOT the Poor!

C) Rich Ladies dress in flowery Hats and long, flowing, Gowns.

D) Rich Gentlemen dress in Derby Hats, tight fitting stripped Suits, and smoke long Havana Cigars.

9. During this period.....:

A) Diaz has served as Governor of Oaxaca.

B) He has also served as a Judge on the National Court of Justice.

1883

1. Diaz remarries.

2. Background to the Marriage:

A) After Tejada's fall.

**B) Diaz has a disagreement with Tejada's
Cabinet Minister, Manuel Romero Rubio.**

C) Rubio goes to Cuba.

**D) Rubio's beautiful daughter, Carmen, chooses
to stay in Mexico City.**

E) Rubio is Anti-Catholic.

**F) BUT....Carmen has been educated in the best
of Catholic Convents:**

**I. Thus....She becomes a staunch supporter of
the Church!**

**G) To support herself....She opens a school to
teach English.**

H) Her first....And, only student is....Diaz!

I) They fall in love.

3. Spring of 1883....Married:

A) He is 53.

B) She is 19.

C) SHE changes him totally:

- I. Makes him a Gentleman.**
- II. Teaches him all forms of Manners.**
- III. Teaches him the Rules of Etiquette.**
- IV. Makes him Courteous.**
- V. Makes him Diplomatic.**
- VI. Makes him dress properly.**
- VII. Makes him become Clothes conscious.**

1884

1. Mexico:

- A) “Bled to Death” Economically.**
- B) Treasury is empty.**
- C) Diaz makes eloquent speeches blaming Gonzalez for bringing the country to a financial crisis!**
- D) Senators & Deputies are convinced that the only man who can save Mexico is....Diaz!!**

2. September 1884 – Diaz is elected President:

- A) His slogan is discreetly forgotten!**
- B) Teddy Roosevelt calls Diaz: “The greatest statesman now living.”**
- C) Leo Tolstoy calls Diaz: “A prodigy of nature.”**
- D) Industrialist, Andrew Carnegie, says of Diaz: “He should be held up to the hero worship of mankind.”**

3. Diaz & Political Opposition:

- A) NO serious opposition will be tolerated!!**
- B) Examples:
 - I. 1886 – Zacatecas – Rival – General Trinidad Garcia de la Cadena....Murdered!****

II. 1889 – Governor of Jalisco, General Ramon Corona – Rival....Murdered upon the orders of Diaz!

4. Diaz's immediate actions:

A) To avoid financial ruin:

I. Cuts the salaries of bureaucrats!

II. Refuses to honor any mortgage made by Gonzalez!

III. Consolidates the National Debt!

IV. Pledges to pay the long standing debt of 91 million Pesos to England!

V. Reforms the Tax & Customs Collection:

(1) BUT....It makes the Poor pay more!!!

B) Orders heavy censorship placed on the press:

I. It simply becomes a tool of his Government.

C) Does NOT allow freedom of speech:

I. Anyone speaking out against him is silenced by his Secret Police!

D) Exploits the Urban Workers & Peons!

5. The Economy under Diaz:

A) Expands:

I. BUT....At the expense of Mexico and it's people!

6. The English:

- A) Become heavily involved in Railroads & Oil.**
- B) By 1910....Weetman Pearson, owns vast quantities of Oil Lands.**

7. The Germans:

- A) Become heavily involved in Loans & Politics.**

8. The Americans become heavily involved in:

A) Railroads.

B) Oil.

- I. By 1910....American, Edward Doheny, owns vast quantities of Oil Lands.**

C) Cotton.

D) Sugar.

E) Timber.

F) Cattle.

G) Land:

- I. By 1910....American, William Randolph Hearst, owns a Ranch the size of the states of Maryland & Delaware combined!**

H) Mining:

- I. By 1910, Americans control $\frac{3}{4}$'s of the Mining Industry in Mexico.**

***I) By 1910:**

- I. American investments in Mexico run into the billions of dollars!**
- II. Americans control over $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Oil Industry in Mexico.**
- III. The Guggenheim Family controls the Mining Industry in the Northern States.**

9. Under Diaz....The Mexican & Foreign Wealthy get richer while the Poor get poorer!

10. Diaz continues the policy of Gonzalez:

A) Selling land to Foreigners at cheap prices!

I. He sells 125 million acres of Mexico's best Oil & Mineral lands, $\frac{1}{4}$ of Mexico, to Foreigners!

(1) By 1911.... $\frac{1}{4}$ of Mexico is owned by the Foreigners!

(2) By 1911.... $\frac{1}{2}$ of Mexico is leased to the Foreigners!

(3) By 1911...It is said: "Mexico is the mother of the Foreigner, and the Step-Mother of her own children."

11. Diaz will continue to grant Foreign Investors unbelievable rights!!

12. By 1910:

A) American, German, and English Corporations virtually own Mexico!

I. They own or lease 135 million acres!

B) Not 1 single Mexican Corporation exists!!!

C) There is 15,000 miles of Railroad in Mexico:

I. In 1876....Only 407 miles!

D) There is 20,000 miles of Telegraph Lines in Mexico:

I. In 1876....Only 4,420 miles!

13. Diaz and his Father-In-Law:

A) Manuel Romero Rubio.

B) Comes out of exile in Cuba....Back to Mexico.

C) Begs forgiveness from Diaz for his “stupid mistake.”

D) Diaz forgives him.

E) Diaz makes him Jefe de Gobernacion:

I. Boss of the Interior Government.

F) Diaz gives him control of Congress.

G) Diaz makes him head of the Bravi:

I. Secret Police.

II. They “eliminate” any political opponents of the Diaz regime that are beyond the reach of the law!....In other words....MURDER!

Diaz & The Yaqui Indians of Sonora

- 1. Have beaten back every Government Expedition sent to take their land.**
- 2. Governor of Sonora is....Ramon Corral:
A) He calls the Yaqui resistance: "An intolerable crime against progress."**
- 3. Corral orders the Yaquis starved into submission.**
- 4. The primary Yaqui leader is Cajeme.**
- 5. Time goes by....Much fighting.**
- 6. Yaquis surrender.**
- 7. Cajeme is brought to Corral:
A) Corral cannot believe Cajeme's:
I. Intelligence!
II. Eloquent use of Spanish!
III. Knowledge of military tactics & warfare!
B) HAS HIM SHOT!**

8. Corral & Diaz now commit one of the great crimes against humanity....They sell the Yaquis like cattle...Into Slavery!!!

A) 75 Pesos each!

B) To....The Plantation Owners in the tropical states of Quintana Roo & Yucatan!

I. In Yucatan...250 members of the "Slaveholders Club":

(1) They own 100,000 slaves!!!!!!!!!!

C) Yaquis arrive at the rate of 500 per month.

D) Are worked in the tropical heat until they drop and die.

E) 2/3's die in their first year.

F) Work day is....3:45 in the morning until dark!

G) At age 12 a male is considered a man and worked as such.

H) If sick....Still have to work!

I) NO doctors!

J) Whippings & beatings are common.

K) Can be killed at will!!!

I. 1892...Guyamas...200 "troublesome Yaquis:"

(1) Taken aboard a ship.

(2) Shackled together with chains.

(3) Taken out to sea.

(4) Kicked overboard to drown.

L) Women have to marry men picked for them.

M) Women belong to anybody.

**N) Living areas are virtually Concentration
Camps:**

I. No sanitary arrangements at all!

**II. Sleep almost on top of each other in “hell-
holes.”**

O) Dinner...If, lucky:

I. 2 Tortillas.

II. Cup of unflavored, boiled, Beans.

III. Bowl of rotten Fish.

P) As punishment or to make an example:

I. Live Yaquis.

II. Fed to the Sharks or Alligators.

**Q) Dead Yaquis are fed to the Sharks &
Alligators:**

I. Why?...So, they will stay around!

II. Thus...Discouraging escape attempts!

**R) Diaz offers 100 Pesos reward for the ears of
an escaped Yaqui!**

S) From 1907 to 1910:

I. Diaz sends 16,000 Yaquis to Yucatan alone!

9. The Rich get richer from the stolen Yaqui lands:

A) Call their profits “Progress”!!

Diaz and The Church

1. His Wife has one major problem....How to get Diaz back into the Church!

A) He is VERY Anti-Church!

2. She convinces him to talk to Archbishop Labastida of Mexico!

3. Series of talks:

A) Diaz promises not to enforce any of the Anti-Church legislation written into the Constitution...IF:

I. Priests will preach loyalty to Diaz in the Churches of Mexico!

B) Church agrees.

4. Results:

A) Church is allowed to buy back much of it's land.

B) Ranks of the Priesthood increase:

I. From 500 to 5,000 by 1900.

C) By 1910....The Church is as powerful as it was in the days of the Spanish Viceroy!!

D) Diaz has become "Catholic" again!!

- E) Diaz has more control than ever....Why??**
- I. The Army and the Poor support the Church!**
 - II. The Church supports him!**

The Diaz Government

- 1. He rules with absolute control.**
- 2. He chooses the Governors.**
- 3. He runs ALL political machinery.**
- 4. He hates intellectuals.**
- 5. He has 2% of the people ruling over the other 98%.**
- 6. He unites Liberals & Conservatives.**
- 7. He rules under a “Republican form of Dictatorship”:**
 - A) 1 man rule....As long as he....Guarantees the rapid progress of the Rich!**
- 8. He is supported by the Government Workers....**
Why??
 - A) They have no choice!**

9. He will not allow young people to advance in the Political Field....Why?

A) They may become too ambitious!!

B) Result of this stagnation?

I. The young people of Mexico resent him!

10. In 1898 a new Enlightenment sweeps Mexico:

A) BUT, only in the Upper Class.

B) Intellectuals preach a “New Realism”:

I. Thru this “New Realism”, Diaz will become “culturally white”!

11. Diaz’s biggest political problem is....Who will succeed him?

12. He is supported by:

A) The Rich.

B) The Church.

C) The Army.

D) The Foreigners.

13. He will keep everybody and everything at the same social and political levels for 26 years:

A) Leads to – “No Mobility”:

I. By 1910....This is the number #1 weakness of his Government!

II. It will cause unrest and trouble with young intellectuals:

(1) They become very Nationalistic!

(2) They discuss Mexico's problems!

14. By 1890, Diaz will pay off Mexico's debt to the United States.

The Urban & Rural Rich Under Diaz

1. Urban Rich:

- A) Owners or Managers of Businesses.**
- B) Are involved in Politics.**
- C) Concerned with their images to Foreigners.**
- D) Want the Status Quo.**

2. Rural Rich:

- A) Large Plantation & Hacienda Owners:
 - I. Terrazas Family....Owns 7 million acres.****
- B) Symbol of wealth is land and/or cattle.**
- C) Live like “Lords of the Manor.”**
- D) In reality....They fear the “Peons.”**
- E) Have “1st Rights” over all women on their holdings!**
- F) Most live in Europe or Mexico City.**
- G) One does NOT live on the Plantation or Hacienda year-round.**
- H) One Hacienda Owner:
 - I. Makes his workers sleep in a room so small:
 - (1) They are on top of each other!!****
 - II. When the Revolution breaks out:
 - (1) He is found crucified to the floor of the Hacienda!******

Examples of Brutality of The Porfiriata

1. 1892 – General Lauro Carrillo – Governor of Chihuahua:

A) Taxes the town of Tomosachic.

B) They cannot pay.

C) Lays siege to the town with 8 Regiments.

D) Places the women & children in the Church:

I. Sets it on fire!

II. Burns them all to death....While alive!

E) Burns the town.

F) Kills 1,400!!!

2. May of 1892 – Town of Navajoa – Yaquis revolt:

A) Every single male....From infants to oldest:

I. Hanged!!!!!!!!!!

1892 – Election Year

- 1. Diaz will tolerate NO serious opposition to his dictatorship!**
- 2. BUT....He insists on the formality of an election!**
- 3. Most citizens refuse to vote and take part in the facade!**
- 4. In the jails and penitentiaries across Mexico:**
 - A) Ballots are distributed to the prisoners.**
 - B) Each prisoner fills out 100's of ballots.**
 - C) Diaz wins "by a landslide."**
- 5. Country is hit by a bad drought:**
 - A) Huge damage to the harvest.**
 - B) Causes a mild depression.**
 - C) Causes a drop in the world's Silver prices!**
 - D) Causes Diaz to act.**
- 6. Diaz hires a vigorous Minister of Finance, Jose Limantour:**
 - A) Son of a French Adventurer and a Mexican Mother.**

- B) Educated in France.**
- C) Tremendous aptitude.**
- D) Scholar.**
- E) Lawyer.**
- F) Linguist.**
- G) Makes a career of Banking.**
- H) An economic genius.**
- I) Member of the “Cientifico Party” (Scientific Party).**

7. Results of Diaz hiring Limantour:

- A) His Government is now totally identified with the Rich!**
- B) The Rich get richer!**
- C) The Poor get poorer!**
- D) Diaz loses his last touch with the common people of Mexico!**

The “Cientifico (Scientific) Party”

- 1. Founded by Romero Rubio.**
- 2. Has a Liberal foundation.**
- 3. Make a “Religion” of Science.**
- 4. Believe the best political philosophy for Mexico is that of....19th century, French writer....August Comte:**
 - A) In politics....the individual means more than ethics.**
 - B) Emotions are of secondary importance.**
- 5. Believe in progress by Science.**
- 6. Believe in the Dictatorship.**
- 7. Hate the Indians.**
- 8. Fear the masses.**
- 9. Believe Science & Technology can solve all of man’s problems.**

10. Believe in Social Darwinism:

A) Survival of the fittest.

11. Will exploit the lower classes.

12. Will make millions by knowing in advance:

A) Government needs.

B) Who is going to buy or sell.

13. Will amass fortunes.

14. Adapt the law to fit their own financial interest.

15. Their motto: "Let us be scientific, let us be realistic."

16. Biggest problem of their rational religion of weights & measures?

A) Has one guiding principle....Profit!!!

1893

1. Limantour:

A) Balances Mexico's Budget:

I. 1st time in 83 years of being independent.

B) Creates the Mexican National Bank.

C) Regularizes the Banking System.

D) Encourages Foreign investment.

E) Is liked by the Conservatives....Why?

I. Carries out "reform" to suit them.

F) Declares Corporations illegal:

I. Results?

(1) Indians lose their land and the Ejidos.

1895

1. Rubio dies.

2. Limantour becomes head of the “Cientificos.”

3. Diaz does not like or trust Limantour or his “Cientifico” cronies:

A) They are Criollos....He is a Mixteca Indian.

B) He tolerates them because they serve his purpose.

C) Refers to them as “Mi Caballada”:

I. My stable of tame horses.

4. What is going on in Mexico at this time?

A) There are 48,000 Foreigners in the country.

B) Revenues are bringing in 110 million Pesos per year:

I. 1/2 of the revenue stays in the Treasury.

C) Schools are built....IN urban areas!

D) Country now has 16,000 Ships carrying on trade.(In 1876....2,000)

E) The Yaquis are still being shipped into slavery:

I. One of the plantation owners....Limantour!

- F) Harbors are dredged and improved.**
- G) Plantations are producing an abundance of:**
 - I. Sugar.**
 - II. Coffee.**
 - III. Henequen.**
 - IV. Cotton.**
 - V. Rubber.**
 - VI. Fruit.**
- H) Steel Mills are expanding.**
- I) Textile Mills are expanding.**
- J) Foreign Trade is at 200 million Pesos per year.**
- K) Mexico City:**
 - I. Becomes beautiful.**
 - II. Called "The Paris of America."**
 - III. Broad Boulevards.**
 - IV. Homes resembling Palaces.**
 - V. The Juarez Monument....In the Alameda Park:**
 - (1) Designed, carved, and erected by Italian Sculptors.**
 - VI. French Artists are commissioned to:**
 - (1) Build a monument to Cuauhtemoc/**
 - (2) On the Paseo de la Reforma.**
 - VII. Palace of Fine Arts is completed.**

1900

- 1. 15,000 Families....Homeless....In Mexico City.**
- 2. 58,000 Foreigners in Mexico.**
- 3. Railroads are built....Primary reason for where and why?**
 - A) So the Army can move quickly for control.**
- 4. Army is full of corruption:**
 - A) Commanders turn in large rosters of men.**
 - B) Why?....To get a larger budget....Pocket the “excess” money.**
 - C) Rosters show 70,000 men....In reality, only 15,000!!**
- 5. Mexico City – 2 brothers from Oaxaca, Ricardo & Flores Magon:**
 - A) Publish the Anti-Diaz newspaper – “Regeneration.”**
 - B) Are jailed.**
 - C) April 30, 1902....Released.**
 - D) September 1902....Ricardo is back in jail.**
 - E) January 1903....Ricardo is released.**

6. There is no National Workers Syndicate:

A) Won't happen until the 1920's.

B) Workers don't believe they have anything in Common:

I. Thus....A nationwide strike is out of the question.

7. Accomplishments & Points by 1900:

A) The Medical College in Mexico City graduates Mexico's 1st Female Doctor(In 1887).

B) Mexico City's drainage problem is corrected:
I. By the English firm of S. Pearson & Son, Ltd.
II. Charge Mexico 16 million Pesos for the job.

C) Mexico has entered "The Modern Age."

D) New Hydraulic & Hydroelectric Stations are built.

E) Largest Brewery in Mexico is operated by a German/Mexican....Jose Schneider:

I. Carta Blanca!

II. Produce 10,000 barrels per day.

III. Produce 5,000 bottles per day.

F) 1/5 of Mexico is owned by Private Land Companies.

G) In Chihuahua – Luis Terrazas – Owns over 7 million acres:

- I. He is the largest Hacendado in Mexico.**
 - II. Owns 500,000 cattle.**
 - III. Owns 225,000 sheep.**
 - IV. Owns 25,000 horses.**
 - V. Owns 5,000 mules.**
 - VI. Owns a huge herd of Mexico's finest Fighting Bulls.**
 - VII. By 1911....He is worth....Over \$69 million!!**
- H) Of Mexico's 12,000,000 people:**
- I. 9,500,000 own no land at all!**
 - II. 3,000 Families own over 1/2 of the country.**
 - III. 17 Families own 150,000 square miles of the country.**
- I) 7 American Companies own 3/4's of all the Mines and 1/2 of all the Oil:**
- I. By 1902....Guggenheim investments....In Northern Mexico....Is over \$12 million!**

1901

1. Diaz is spending $\frac{1}{4}$ of the total Budget on the Military:

A) He wants to keep them “loyal.”

1903

1. The La Candelaria Strike:

- A) Mine....Owned by the Guggenheim Brothers.**
- B) Strike is led by the Magon Brothers.**
- C) Strike for better working conditions.**
- D) Strike for a Health Insurance plan.**
- E) Strikebreakers, Rurales, and the Army are called in!**
- F) Fighting.**
- G) 100's of workers are killed.**
- H) Strike is broken.**
- I) April 1903....Ricardo & Enrique Magon are back in prison.**
- J) End of 1903 – Magon Brothers are released:**
 - I. To save their lives....They flee Mexico.**
 - II. Go to St. Louis.**
 - III. Go to Los Angeles....Publish their newspaper....Smuggle it into Mexico.**
 - IV. Become members of the I.W.W.(Industrial Workers of the World).**
 - V. Will preach Socialism and try to organize the Mexican Workers into Unions.**

1904

1. Election year....Diaz is now 76 years old:

A) Has been in power since 1876.

B) Is still very sharp at politics.

C) Still doesn't hesitate to use threats, intimidation, Federal Army, or the Rurales:

I. Over 2,700 of them by 1911.

D) Still censors the Press.

E) Still imprisons, exiles, or murders Journalists who oppose him!

2. Big question for Diaz....Who will be his Vice President?

A) The most popular man with the Army is General Bernardo Reyes:

I. Diaz knows this!!

B) Diaz picks.....Ramon Corral!!!

I. NOBODY likes him!

II. Diaz has picked him on purpose....Why?

(1) Eliminates the chance of an assassination!

3. Diaz is still the "Iron-Fisted" Dictator:

A) He picks the 27 Governors:

- I. All of them are subservient to him!**
- B) He picks the 300 Political Chiefs.**
- C) He picks the Town Mayors.**
- D) He picks the Political Bosses.....1,800 of them!!**
- E) All of the Legislators are his people.**

4. Diaz still invites the Foreigners into Mexico:

A) They are still involved in:

- I. Railroads.**
- II. Public Works.**
- III. Telegraph Lines.**
- IV. Telephone Lines.**
- V. Oil.**
- VI. Mines.**
- VII. Land.**

5. Intellectuals in Mexico start organizing.

6. Any efforts by Workers to organize are brutally crushed.

1906

1. June 1, 1906 – The Cananea Copper Strike:

- A) The Consolidated Copper Company.**
- B) Owned by W.C. Greene.**
- C) 5,453 Mexican Employees.**
- D) 2,100 American Employees.**
- E) Mexican Workers get \$1.50 for an eleven hour work-day.**
- F) American Workers get much more.**
- G) Mexican Workers organize for equal wages.**
- H) Greene telegraphs Diaz asking for help.**
- I) Troops are sent.**
- J) May 31st – Mexican Workers walk out.**
- K) The Mexican Federal Army, Rurales, and American Detectives arrive to help Greene.**
- L) June 1st – Mass of Workers march to the Lumber Yard:
 - I. Taunted by the Americans.**
 - II. The 2 Metcalfe brothers open fire on the Workers.**
 - III. Massive firing breaks out.**
 - IV. The 2 Metcalfe brothers are killed.**
 - V. Workers scatter.**
 - VI. Anything that moves is shot and killed.****

VII. 23 Mexican Workers are killed.

VIII. 23 Mexican Workers are wounded/

IX. 50 of the leaders are sent to Veracruz in chains....Placed in prison....Some are hanged....Some are shot!

X. Some of the Mexican Miners involved are secretly murdered!

2. June 25, 1906 – Viesca, Coahuila – Led by Jose Lugo....Followers of the Magon Brothers – Take the town:

A) Free the Political Prisoners.

B) Take 20,000 Pesos from the Bank.

C) Most are captured....One is Lugo.

D) Some are shot....One of them is Lugo.

E) Some are sent to prison.

3. June 26, 1906 – Las Vacas, Coahuila(Now...Villa Acuna....Across from Del Rio, Texas):

A) Followers of the Magon Brothers hit the town.

B) Battle.

C) 11 of the attackers are killed:

I. One of them is one of the leaders....Benjamin Canales.

D) 9 Federal Soldiers are killed.

E) Attackers are forced to retreat.

1907

1. January 7, 1907 – The Rio Blanco Textile Strike:

A) Rio Blanco, Veracruz.

B) Cotton Mills.

C) Diaz is a large stockholder in the company.

D) 6,000 workers....Men, women, & children.

E) Men:

I. 13 hour day....37 ½ cents per day!

F) Children:

I. 13 hour day....20 cents per day!

G) Women:

I. \$2 per week!

H) Workers are forced to pay \$1 per week rent for:

I. A “Company House.”

II. 2 room hut with a dirt floor!

I) Workers secretly organize a Union:

I. “El Circulo de Obreros”....The Circle of Workers.

J) Those suspected of joining are placed in prison at once!

K) Workers are locked out!

L) Workers go on strike!

M) Demand....Better conditions.

- N) For 2 months they starve.**
- O) Finally surrender.**
- P) January 7th – Workers gather in front of the Company Store.**
- Q) Ask for food – Are told “No”!!!**
- R) Margarita Martinez urges the Workers to take the food by force!**
- S) They do so!!!!!!!**
- T) They burn the store and the mill!!**
- U) Soldiers under General Rosalio Martinez arrive:**
 - I. Open fire with rifles and machine guns.**
 - II. Into the mass of unarmed men, women, and children.**
 - III. Volley after volley.**
 - IV. Workers scatter.**
 - V. Chase the workers!**
 - VI. Drag the Workers from their homes and hiding places....Shoot them....Regardless of age or sex!!!**
- V) For days the Workers are hunted and killed!**
- W) 350 Workers are killed and another 200 are executed!!!!**
 - I. The Vice President & Secretary of the Union are hanged!**

X) The corpses are taken to Veracruz Harbor and fed to the sharks!

Y) Margarita Martinez is sent to prison!

Z) One of the Federal Officers, Lt. Gabriel Arroyo, has ordered his men NOT to fire into the workers:

I. He and all of his men are shot!

2. Diaz plays off one Foreign Power against another:

A) Grants special concessions to the English firm of Pearsons & Sons to drain Lake Texcoco:

I. Has denied the same deal to the American firm of Rockefeller & Doheny.

B) Gives political asylum to Nicaragua's deposed President, Zelaya:

I. This upsets the U.S. because they have backed the revolution that deposed him!

C) U.S. is having disputes with Japan over immigration quotas:

I. Diaz invites the Japanese Marines to Mexico City for a banquet.

II. BUT....The U.S. remains friendly!

3. The 77 year old, Diaz, grants an interview to James Creelman of Pearson's Magazine out of New York:

A) Says: "No matter what my friends and supporters say, I retire when my present term of office ends, and I shall not serve again. I do not believe in re-election and I will not seek re-election."

B) The story is published!

C) Diaz believes the story will stay in the Eastern United States!!

1908

1. March 3, 1908 – Copies of the Creelman Article are smuggled into Mexico:

A) Read everywhere.

B) Diaz is asked to comment:

I. No reply!!

2. Result....General Bernardo Reyes:

A) Forms the Democratic Party.

B) Will pay for the publication of a book:

I. “Los Grandes Problemas Nacionales.”

II. Written by Andres Molina Enriquez.

III. Hints at the graft & corruption of the Diaz Government.

3. Diaz orders all Yaquis deported to Yucatan:

A) February of 1908:

I. Boatload of Yaquis commit suicide rather than submit to slavery!!

4. Francisco Madero writes a book:

A) “The Succession of the President in 1910.”

B) 3,000 copies are printed.

C) Is a simple rehash of politics.

D) Does not attack Diaz.

E) Lashes out at the Diaz Myth.

F) Concludes by saying:

I. Diaz should be re-elected, BUT, not Corral!

G) Book is mild...BUT:

I. Has a tremendous effect on the people of Mexico:

(1) Why?....For the 1st time someone has had the guts to say what they were thinking about Diaz!!

5. Diaz starts keeping an eye on Madero.

1909

1. Jose Vasconcelos forms the Anti Re-electionist Party:

A) Financed by Francisco Madero.

B) Gustavo Madero handles the campaign & finances of the Party.

2. Election....3 candidates:

A) Porfirio Diaz.

B) Francisco Madero.

C) General Bernardo Reyes.

3. Diaz asks Reyes not to run:

A) Reyes refuses.

4. October – Diaz sends Reyes to Europe on a “Diplomatic Mission” to “Observe Military Tactics”:

A) Will remain there until 1912!!

5. Democratic Party now has no candidate:

A) Throw their support to Madero.

6. Madero is now the symbol of opposition to Diaz.

7. Madero makes it known to Diaz that he is running as a “Loyal Critic” and....On the slogan: “Effective suffrage and no re-election.”

8. December – Madero starts campaigning seriously:

A) Tours the Northern States.

B) Speaks to large peasant crowds.

C) Cry becomes “Viva Madero!”

9. Diaz doesn't like what is going on!

Mexico....By 1910

- 1. 15 wealthy Hacendados own Haciendas totaling over 300,000 acres each!!**
- 2. Less than 2% of the entire population of Mexico owns land.**
- 3. Examples:**
 - A) State of Mexico....1 estate covers over 500 square miles!**
 - B) State of Colima....Four Haciendas own 1/3 of the land.**
 - C) State of Morelos....32 Families own all the land.**
- 4. The average Hacienda is 11 ½ square miles in size!**
- 5. A “Middle Class” does not exist:**
 - A) Only rich or poor!**
 - B) Peons work as serfs.**
- 6. Child mortality rate among Mexico’s poor is 25%!!**

- 7. Population is 15,160,000.**
- 8. Mexico City's population is 471,066.**
- 9. Over 1/2 of Mexico's rural population live & work on Haciendas.**
- 10. The average life span of a Peon is.....30!!!**
- 11. The basic diet of the Peon:**
 - A) Corn.**
 - B) Beans.**
 - C) Chile.**
 - D) Pulque.**
- 12. The Peon is 12 times poorer than a Laborer in the United States.**
- 13. A Peon's debts are handed down to his Children:**
 - A) Thus....In debt for life!**
- 14. 99% of the population is on the verge of starvation!**

15. Extremely high rate of alcoholism in Mexico:

A) 1,300 Bars in Mexico City alone!

B) BIG increase in deaths related to alcohol consumption.

16. More cultivation of the Maguey Cactus Plant:

A) Pulque.

B) Mescal.

C) Tequila.

January 1863

1. Mid-January 1863 – Wagon Train – From Veracruz to Orizaba:

A) Led by a Trader named, Rousseau:

I. 2 women accompany the wagon train:

(1) One is pregnant.

II. Has a 50 Man French escort.

B) Near La Tejeria.

C) Ambushed by Juarista Guerrillas.

D) French escort flees.

E) Wagons are pillaged.

F) Big fire is built.

G) Rousseau is thrown alive into the fire.

H) 2 women are raped.

I) Pregnant....Cut open....Baby torn out....Thrown into the fire!

J) Both women thrown into the fire.

March 1863

1. West of La Tejeria – At La Loma – French construction camp:

- A) Hit by 300 Juaristas.**
- B) Workers are killed.**
- C) Wives are raped and killed.**
- D) Children are killed.**
- E) Baker, a Frenchman, is decapitated with a machete!**

2. March 16, 1863 – Start of the 2nd Battle of Puebla:

- A) Will last for 2 months.**
- B) Will come to an end on May 17, 1863.**
- C) 25,500 French Troops attack - Led by:
 - I. Foray – Bazaine – Douay.****
- D) Defended by 18,000 Juaristas – Led by:
 - I. General, Jesus Gonzalez Ortega.****
- E) March 16th – French open fire on the city with siege guns:
 - I. Foray uses strategy to advance slowly.****
- F) March 29th – Fort Xavier falls to the French:
 - I. French lose 230 killed.**
 - II. Juaristas lose 600 killed.****

- G) French batter and out-maneuver the Juaristas:**
- I. Slowly advance into the city.**
 - II. Fight street-by-street, house-by-house, & room-by-room!**
- H) Late April 1863 – French attack the Convent at Santa Cruz:**
- I. repulsed by the Juaristas.**
 - II. French lose 480 killed.**
- I) Relief Column of Juaristas heads to relieve Puebla:**
- I. 7,750 Men.**
 - II. Led by General, Ignacio Comonfort.**
- J) May 8, 1863 – At Lorenzo – Relief Column is ambushed:**
- I. By 3,500 French under General Bazaine.**
 - II. Juaristas are defeated losing 1,000 Men & 8 Cannons captured.**
- K) May 17, 1863 – Puebla surrenders:**
- I. 12,227 Juaristas surrender.**
 - II. One who escapes....Porfirio Diaz.**

April 30, 1863 – Battle of Camerone

- 1. Veracruz – French Commander – Asks for a volunteer escort group:**
 - A) Are to meet and escort a Mule & Cart Train:**
 - I. To the French forces besieging Puebla.**
 - II. Consists of 60 Carts & 150 Mules.**
 - III. Are carrying supplies, feed, and money to pay the French Troops.**

- 2. Captain Jean Danjou volunteers himself and his 63 Men for the Escort duty:**
 - A) 3rd Company – 1st Battalion – French Foreign Legion.**

- 3. April 29, 1863 – Late night – Young Indian Woman, spy in the pay of the French, “La Soledad”:**
 - A) Reaches the Juaristas.**
 - B) Tells Colonel Francisco de Paula Milan of the Convoy.**
 - C) Milan makes plans to seize the convoy.**

- 4. Captain Jean Danjou:**
 - A) Pure soldier.**

B) Brown, receding hair.

C) Fine features.

D) 5 feet 8 inches tall.

E) Brown eyes.

F) Quiet.

G) September 24, 1852 – As a Lt. - Joins the Legion at age 24.

H) Wooden left hand....Why?

I. May 21, 1853 – Battle – Loading a signal pistol:

(1) Faulty cartridge explodes.

(2) Almost totally blows his left hand off:

a. Has to be amputated.

b. Wooden, false, hand.

c. Articulated, hinged, fingers.

d. Covered by a white glove.

5. Danjou's orders:

A) Hold the convoy at La Soledad:

I. Wait for a larger escort.

B) He is to leave in the wee minutes of the 30th:

I. Dawn, scout the road to La Soledad.

C) Everything is agreed upon.

6. 1:00 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou's force heads out from Chiquihuite.

B) 62 Men and Mexican Muleteer, Jose Dominguez....63 Men total:

I. Rations for 36 hours.

II. Each man has 60 cartridges.

7. 1:15 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou's force crosses Atoyac Creek:

I. Head toward Paso del Macho.

8. Danjou's Force:

A) From:

I. France.

II. Germany...13.

III. Belgium...15.

IV. Holland...1.

V. Austria.

VI. Switzerland...8.

VII. Denmark...1.

VIII. Italy...1.

IX. Spain...2.

X. Poland...1.

XI. Other countries.....

B) Occupations:

I. Student.

II. Weaver.

III. Blacksmith.

IV. Saddle-Maker.

V. Waiter.

VI. Actor.

VII. Professional Comedian.

C) Ages:

I. Youngest is 17.

II. Oldest is in his 50's.

D) Uniform:

I. Short, dark blue, Jacket:

(1) Pale yellow collar, trimmed in blue.

(2) Front, sides, and cuffs are trimmed in red.

II. Pants:

(1) Red.

(2) or...White/Gray canvas.

III. Gray, canvas, gaiters.

IV. Long, red, sash, around the waist.

V. Hat:

(1) Blue & red Kepi with a canvas neck cloth.

VI. Leather strap over left shoulder:

(1) Falls below the right waist.

VII. Musette Pouch:

(1) Leather pouch on a strap.

(2) Hangs from the right shoulder to below

the left waist.

VIII. Leather cartridge box:

(1) Worn on the left front.

IX. Bayonet:

(1) Worn on the left side.

X. Canvas & leather haversack.

XI. Rolled, gray, Capote:

(1) Greatcoat.

XII. Muzzle loading rifle.

E) Some of the men:

I. Corporal, Philippe Maine:

(1) French.

(2) 32 years old.

(2) Strongly built.

(3) Walrus-type mustache.

II. 2nd Lt. Napoleon Jean Vilain:

(1) 26 years old.

(2) Military School – Runs away – Legion.

(3) 5-3 tall.

(4) Blue eyes – Blonde hair.

III. Sgt. Major, Henri Tonel:

(1) Actor.

IV. Sgt. Vincent Marie Morzycki:

(1) Very intelligent.

V. Casimir Lai:

(1) Italian Drummer.

VI. Victor Catteau:

(1) Belgian.

VII. Johan Reuss:

(1) 17 year old – German.

VIII. Leon Gorski:

(1) Polish.

IX. Ulrich Konrad:

(1) German.

X. 2nd Lt. Clement Maudet:

(1) 34 years old.

XI. Sgt. Evariste Berg:

(1) 28 years old.

(2) From a well-to-do family.

9. 2:30 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou's force reaches Paso del Macho.

10. Dawn – 5:30 – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou's force passes thru the rotting down village of Camerone:

I. Southwest of Veracruz.

II. Has an old rotting farmhouse with 2 barns and a stable behind it:

(1) Forms a sort of square around a courtyard.

11. 6:30 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou's force reaches Palo Verde:

I. Clearing with no cover.

II. Stop...Rest...Eat:

(1) Will never get to do any of these!

III. Group is sent to get water.

B) Spot dust....800 Juarista Cavalry appear:

I. Cavalry opens fire.

C) Legion.....Call to arms.

D) Start fighting a tactical retreat to an open area 328 yards from the old Hacienda de la Trinidad:

I. Hans Kurz goes down with a bullet in the leg.

II. 30 minute wait.

III. Proceed back thru Camerone for 1/2 mile on the road to Chiquihuite.

E) More Mexican Cavalry arrives....Cuts them off:

I. Form a square.

II. Mexican Lancers charge.

III. Legionaires fire!....Stop the charge.

IV. 2nd charge....Same!

12. Danjou's force splits into 2 groups:

A) Head back for Camerone.

B) Danjou and 48....16 others "lagging" behind.

C) Dominguez is wounded in the leg.

D) Lancers surround and attack the 16:

I. All 16 are captured....Many wounded:

(1) Bogucki....Sword cut to the head.

(2) Seffrin....Lance wound to the chest.

(3) Lemmer....Bullet in the armpit.

(4) Merlet....Head smashed by a rock.

(5) Van Opstal....Sword cut to the head.

(6) de Vries....Head wound.

(7) Van den Meersche....Serious head wound.

E) Eventually....9 of the 16 captured:

I. Either:

(1) Killed by captors.

(2) Desert.

(3) Unknown.

**13. Danjou's group of 49, reaches the old
farmhouse in Camerone:**

**A) Take positions behind the corral stone walls
behind the inn and barricade the 2 gates.**

B) Have been fighting for 1 ½ hours.

C) Have lost 16 men captured and/or wounded.

D) Have stopped 2 charges by the Mexican Lancers.

E) It's hot!

F) Have very little water!

G) Have no food!

H) No available water or pond.

I) Have not eaten in 16 hours.

J) Are surrounded by 800 Juaristas!

14. 9:30 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Juaristas....White flag of truce....To talk.

B) Captain Ramon Laine comes forward to talk to Danjou:

I. Mexican born son of a Frenchman.

II. Milan's orderly.

C) Surrender and lives will be spared.

D) Danjou...Refuses...: "We'll rather die than surrender."

E) Sgt. Major, Henri Tonel & 14 men occupy the Northwest ground floor of the house.

F) Sgt. Marie Morziki....Alone....Occupies the roof.

G) Corporal Evariste Berg and a squad guard the North gate.

H) Another squad guards the South gate.

I) Lt. Jean Vilain, Corporal Philippe Maine, and others act as reserves along the West wall:

I. Between the gates.

J) Corporal Karl Magnin, Leon Gorski, and Hippolyte Kunassel and a squad guard the breach in the Southeast wall.

15. Firing breaks out everywhere:

A) Legion is outnumbered 10 to 1!

B) Juaristas charge:

I. Legionnaires kill them by the dozens.

16. 10:55 – Morning – April 30, 1863:

A) Danjou is shot in the back:

I. Bullet comes out over his heart.

II. Dies within 5 minutes.

B) Vilain takes command.

C) Room in the house has to be abandoned:

I. Only 5 of the 14 men there are left alive.

D) Sgt. Major Henri Tonel and 1 other Legionnaire are shot and killed:

I. 2 others are wounded.

E) More Legionnaire casualties:

I. Corporal Aime Favas....Killed.

II. Josef Schreiblich....Killed.

17. Mexicans receive more reinforcements:

A) Now have 1,850 Men.

B) Outnumber the Legionnaires....40 to 1!!!

18. Juaristas....2nd offer of surrender:

A) Sgt. Morzycki gives reply: "Shit!"

19. Juaristas charge:

A) Repulsed.

20. Another charge....Repulsed:

A) Legionnaires suffer more killed:

I. Karl Wittgers.

II. Corporal Adolphi Delcaretto.

III. Emile Hipp.

IV. Charles DuBois.

V. Sgt. Jean Germays.

21. 12:00 – Noon – April 30, 1863:

A) Juarista Infantry reinforcements arrive.

**B) Juaristas now have over 2,000 men
surrounding the little group of Legionnaires.**

22. Juaristas....3rd offer of surrender:

A) Refused!

23. Juarista charge....Set fire to the roof:

A) Repulsed.

24. 1:00 – Afternoon – April 30, 1863:

A) Juaristas attack:

I. Repulsed.

25. 2:00 – Afternoon – April 30, 1863:

A) Juaristas attack.

B) Repulsed.

C) Lt. Vilain is shot in the forehead and killed instantly.

D) Lt. Clement Maudet takes command.

26. Legionnaires retreat to the shed in the Southwest corner:

A) Has a low wall of bricks surrounding it:

I. Made of wood with a thatched roof.

B) Legionnaire wounded are so thirsty:

I. Drinking their own blood from their own wounds.

II. Drinking urine.

27. Juaristas attack:

A) Repulsed.

B) Another Legionnaires is killed:

I. Felix Brunswick.

C) Lt. Casmir Lai is wounded in the chest.

28. Northeast corner is set on fire by the Juaristas:

A) Smoke is blown into the courtyard.

29. At this point....13 Legionnaires are left on their feet:

A) Lt., Clement Maudet.

B) Sgt., Vincent Marie Morzycki.

C) Corporal, Evariste Berg.

D) Corporal, Karl Magnin.

E) Corporal, Heindrich Pinzinger.

F) Corporal, Philippe Maine.

G) Leon Gorski.

H) Hippolyte Kunassec.

I) Jean-Baptiste Leonard.

J) Victor Catteau.

K) Natale Bertolotto.

L) Gottfried Wensel.

M) Laurent Constantin.

30. 5:00 – Afternoon – April 30, 1863:

- A) Moment of pause.**
- B) Then....Bugles & Drums!**
- C) Juaristas attack.**
- D) They fill the courtyard.**
- E) Juaristas & Legionnaires are hacking at each other with machetes and bayonets.**
- F) Berg....Hit in the head....Captured.**
- G) Pinzinger....Slashed forearm....Captured.**
- H) Gorski....Gun-butted....Captured.**
- I) Kunassek....Captured.**
- K) Fritz....Stabbed in the hand....Captured.**
- L) Lai....Sword cuts 3 fingers off his hand as he is wounded a second time....Captured.**

31. Left in the shed:

- A) Maine – Maudet – Catteau – Constantin – Wensel – Leonard – Bertolotto – Morzycki.**
- B) Firing into the shed.**
- C) Morzycki is shot in the temple and killed.**
- D) Have 1 bullet each left.**
- E) Maudet orders them to “Load & fix bayonets.”**
- F) Fire their volley at the Juaristas.**
- G) Charge out the door.**
- H) Massive volley hits them:
 - I. Catteau steps in front of Maudet:****

- (1) Hit by 19 bullets and killed.**
- II. Maudet is wounded in the side and right thigh.**
- III. Wensel is wounded in the shoulder.**
- IV. Constantin is wounded.**
- V. Maine is wounded.**
- I) All surrender on grounds they will be given medical attention.**

32. The 9 hour fight is over:

- A) Legionnaires have fired 3,000 rounds.**
- B) Have killed over 300 Juaristas:
 - I. Most shot thru the head or chest...Accuracy!****
- C) Have saved the supplies and money:
 - I. It gets thru.****

33. Legionnaires are given water and tortillas.

34. Juarista Doctor, Talavera – Has to amputate the shattered left arm of Legionnaire, Fritz.

35. Bodies of the Legionnaires are sorted and stripped:

- A) 2 large trenches are dug:
 - I. One for the Juaristas.****

II. One for the Legionnaires:

- (1) BUT, the Legionnaires will NOT be buried!**
- B) 23 of the Legionnaires have been killed in the courtyard.**
- C) Danjou's wooden hand is taken as a souvenir.**

36. 40 of the Legionnaires are still alive:

- A) Some....BARELY!!**

37. The 19 wounded, 15 of them...badly:

- A) Baas...Broken arm & bullet wound to the head.**
- B) Fritz...Broken arm & bullet wound to the head.**
- C) De Vries...Serious head wound.**
- D) Rebers...Bullet wound to the kidney.**
- E) Leonard...Bullet wounds to the neck and arm.**
- F) Kurz...Bullet wound to the foot.**
- G) Lemmer...Bullet wound to the armpit.**
- H) Rohr...Right eye and part of the skull to the ear are shot away.**
- I) Timmerman...Two bullets in his belly.**
- J) Dael...Bullet wounds to the thigh, foot, and calf.**
- K) Daglinks...Bullet wound to the neck.**
- L) Van Opstal...Bayonet wound to the head.**

M) Bogucki...Sword cut to the head.

N) Wensel...Bad bullet wounds to the head and neck.

O) Van de Meersche...Bad head wound..

P) Lai...Wounded.

Q) Dominguez...Bullet wound to the leg.

R) Lai...Wounded.

38. Wounded are very well cared for.

39. The Legionnaire dead:

A) Captain Jean Danjou.

B) Lt. Jean Vilain.

C) Sgt. Major Henri Tonel.

D) Sgt. Vincent Marie Morzycki.

E) Corporal Aime Favas.

F) Aloysio Bernardo.

G) Natale Bertolotto.

H) Nikolas Burgiser.

I) George Catenhusen.

J) Victor Catteau.

K) Peter Conrad.

L) Peter Dicken.

M) Charles DuBois.

N) Freidrich Freidrich.

- O) Georg Fursbaz.**
- P) Louis Groux.**
- Q) Emile Hipp.**
- R) Felix Langmeier.**
- S) Louis Lernoud.**
- T) Johann Reuss.**
- U) Daniel Seiler.**
- V) Henri Vandesavel.**
- W) Karl Wittgens.**

40. May 3, 1863 – French force arrives in

Camerone:

A) Bodies are:

I. Swollen.

II. Decomposition.

III. Coyotes & Buzzards have fed on them.

B) 23 bodies...Buried in the trench dug by the Juaristas.

C) Cross placed over it.

41. Bogucki and Van den Meersche....Die of their head wounds.

42. May 8, 1863 – Maudet....In his sleep....Dies of his wounds.

43. Hospital at Huatusco:

- A) May 11, 1863 – Sgt. Jean Germeys....Dies of wounds.**
- B) May 13, 1863 – Corporal Adolphi Delcaretto.... Dies of his wounds.**
- C) May 15, 1863 – Jean Timmerman....Dies of his wounds.**
- D) May 23, 1863 – Constantin Dael....Dies of his wounds.**
- E) May 25, 1863 – Ludwig Rohr....Dies of his wounds.**
- F) May 28, 1863 – Hans Kurz....Dies of his wounds.**
- G) June 11, 1863 – Claude Billod....Dies of his wounds.**

44. August 20, 1863 – At Cordoba – Sgt. Alfred Palmaert....Dies of Dysentery.

45. March 23, 1864 – At Puebla – Luitpol Van Opstal....Dies of cancer.

46. June 11, 1864 – At Puebla – Evariste Berg:

- A) Fights a duel with a fellow officer:
I. Berg is killed.**

**47. December 14, 1864 – In Paris – Leon Gorski....
Dies at age 20!**

**48. Small Rancher – Buys Danjou's wooden hand
as a curio:**

A) He sells it to an Austrian Officer.

**49. 1865 – Legion is given Danjou's wooden hand
Back by the Austrian Officer:**

**A) Presented to Marshall Achille Bazaine....The
Commander in Chief of the French
Expeditionary Corps:**

**I. To this day....The most sacred relic of the
Legion.**

50. 1892 – President Porfirio Diaz:

**A) Dedicates a monument to the Legionnaires at
Camerone.**

**51. Last Camerone survivor to die....Sgt. Hippolyte
Kunassec.**

**52. April 1963....Official Dedication in Camerone by
the Mexican Government:**

A) Massive Marble Gravestone.

B) Plaque to the 34 dead (2/3's of the force):

“They were here, less than 60 opposed to an entire Army. It's mass crushed them. Life, rather than courage, abandoned the French soldiers the 30th of April 1863.”

May 1863

1. Night - May 30, 1863 – Juarez:

A) Mexico City is in danger.

B) Juarez evacuates the capital.

June 1863

1. June 7, 1863 – Unopposed - French enter Mexico City:

A) Welcomed by:

I. Conservatives.

II. Church.

III. Wealthy.

2. June 18, 1863 – Juarez establishes his capital at San Luis Potosi.