

re to its status of January 27, 1917, when President Gonzalez was overthrown, and * * * *the latter has been so informed by our Government.*

The mysteries of our Latin American policies in recent years are indeed unsoundable.

Complications are bound to arise under these circumstances. President Wilson recognizes no act under the Tinoco Constitution or the Tinoco régime. This nullifies the present Costa Rican Congress and Courts and all acts performed by them in the last two and a half years.

How about the rights of citizens of the twenty-two countries which recognized Tinoco and had diplomatic relation with him? (1)

How about the rights granted by Tinoco to strong British interests which have invested large amounts of money? Will Great Britain stand for her subjects being thus victimized? Our Government cannot possibly intend to recognize the validity of rights granted to citizens of Great Britain and other large states who sacrifice rights granted to citizens of the United States and small countries? Or will the policy be one of arbitrary discrimination, recognizing such acts of the Tinoco régime as suit the whim of our Administration and relegate all others to the scrap heap?"

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(1). "¿Qué será de los derechos de los ciudadanos de las 22 naciones que reconocieron a Tinoco y mantuvieron con él relaciones diplomáticas?"