

WILSON AGREES TO PLAN OF MEDIATION

Candor, However, Impels Administration to Say Plans May Be Frustrated.

PROMPT RESULTS DESIRED

Wish Expressed That Outcome May Be Made Known Before Hostilities Disappoint Hopes.

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and those who now claim to represent our sister Republic of Mexico. "Conscious of the purpose with which the proffer is made this Government does not feel at liberty to decline it. Its own chief interest is in the peace of America, the cordial intercourse of her republics and their people and the happiness and prosperity which spring only out of frank, mutual understandings of the friendship which is created by common purpose.

Offer of Mediation Accepted.
 "The generous offer of your governments is therefore accepted.

"This Government hopes most earnestly that you may find those who speak for the sober elements of the Mexican people willing and ready to discuss terms of satisfactory and, therefore, permanent settlement. If you should find them willing this Government will be glad to take up with you for discussion in the frankest and most cordial spirit any proposals that may be authoritatively formulated, and will hope that they may prove feasible and prophetic of a new day of mutual co-operation and confidence in America.

Possibility of Failure Noted.
 "This Government feels bound in candor to say that its diplomatic relations with Mexico being for the present severed, it is not possible for it to make sure of an uninterrupted opportunity to carry out the plan of mediation which you propose. It is, of course, possible that some act of aggression on the part of those who control the military forces of Mexico might oblige the United States to act to the upsetting of the hopes of immediate peace, but this does not justify us in hesitating to accept your generous suggestion.

"We shall hope for the best results within a brief time, enough to relieve our anxiety lest most ill-considered hostile demonstrations should interrupt negotiations and disappoint our hopes of peace."

Text of Formal Offer Given.

The text of the offer made by the three countries was:
 "Mr. Secretary of State: With the purpose of subserving the interest of peace and civilization in our continent and with the earnest desire to prevent any further bloodshed to the prejudice of the cordiality and union which have always surrounded the relations of the governments and the people of America, the plenipotentiaries of Brazil, Argentina and Chile, duly authorized hereto, have the honor to tender to your excellency's government our good offices for the peaceful and friendly settlement of the conflict between the United States and Mexico.

"This offer puts in due form the suggestion which we have had occasion to offer heretofore on this subject to the Secretary, to whom we renew the assurance of our highest and most distinguished consideration."
 The proposal was signed by Domínguez de Guzmán, the Ambassador from Brazil; Eduardo Luaces, the Minister from Chile; and Romulo S. Naeon, the Minister from Argentina.

War Preparations Go On.

Coincidentally with the acceptance of the offer of mediation, Administration officials announced there would be no cessation of preparations by the Army and Navy for future emergencies, and no orders were issued to the naval forces now at Vera Cruz or the ships at sea changing original plans. No further steps, however, to obtain reparations for the indignities which gave rise to the present situation will be attempted while the effort is being made to bring about a settlement through diplomacy.

Although the offer made by the three South American countries does not reveal their plans, it was learned that they contemplate a broad settlement of the Mexican problem through the elimination of Huerta, upon which the United States has insisted from the beginning. Notification of the offer of mediation was sent, not only to the diplomatic representatives of Argentina, Chile and Brazil in Mexico, but to General Carranza and the constitutionalists in Northern Mexico.

President Not Over Sanguine.

From those at tonight's White House conference it was learned that while the President was not sanguine of the success of the intermediation plan, he felt it to be the duty of the American Government to avail itself of the offer of the three great South American countries. It was suggested that the negotiations, even though they might be unsuccessful, might serve to repress anti-American outbreaks and afford an opportunity for Americans to depart from Mexico.

The President had the subject under consideration most of the day with Secretary Bryan and other members of the Cabinet. The subject had been informally discussed by the three diplomats among themselves, and the joint note was presented in person to Mr. Bryan early today. Late the President and Mr. Bryan conferred about the reply, and it was transmitted to the diplomats at the State Department just as the President began his conference at the White House with the leading Democratic and Republican members of the Congressional committee in charge of foreign affairs.

An American Co-operation Welcomed.
 The Senators and Representatives declined to be quoted about the new phase of the situation, but those who discussed it believed it was right for the United States to accept the good offices, though not agreeing in advance to any cessation of its preparations for emergencies.

The feature of the plan which some of the President's visitors lauded was the fact that the United States was joining hands with three big nations of this hemisphere, emphasizing Pan-American solidarity and a principle of the Monroe Doctrine, and at the same time showing to Central and South America, as a whole, the peaceful in-

tentions of the American Government. The fact that Argentina, Brazil and Chile have stood with the United States in refusing to recognize the Huerta government is an element in the situation which rose conspicuously to the front as discussion of the question turned official circles for the moment, at least, from thoughts of war to those of peace. It was generally realized that the task of the three countries would be difficult, for they have been dealing with Huerta only as a de facto ruler and could not become involved in steps of formal recognition any more than could the United States in its refusal to sign a written protocol for the adjustment of the incidents at Tampico and the demand for a salute to the American flag.

Arthur Younis Named for Surgeon.
 OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 25.—Arthur Younis of Oregon, assistant surgeon in the medical reserve corps, was today nominated by the President as assistant surgeon in the regular Army. He was one of numerous transfers from the reserve force to the regular service incident to the Mexican trouble.

B'NAI BRITH HEAD TO VISIT PORTLAND



Morris N. Schneider, of Oakland, grand president of district No. 4, of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, and Dr. M. Friedlander, grand orator, will come to Portland with Theodor Herzl Lodge No. 314. A meeting of the lodge will be held Tuesday night to make arrangements for the entertainment of the grand lodge officers.

Both the Portland lodge and the Theodor Herzl lodge are making efforts to have the excursion of the Constitutional Grand Lodge officers from Chicago routed through Portland in 1915, on the way to the big convention in San Francisco of the Constitutional Grand Lodge.

FIREMEN AID EDITORS

Boiler Used to Heat Steam Table for Mats; Newspaper Out on Time.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 25.—(Special).—Necessity has long been known by the proprietors of the Charleston Gazette introduced a brand new boiler, but the proprietors of the Charleston Gazette introduced a brand new boiler, but the proprietors of the Charleston Gazette introduced a brand new boiler.

When it was found that the boiler used for heating the steam table was indispensible to the newspaper, the proprietors of the Charleston Gazette introduced a brand new boiler, but the proprietors of the Charleston Gazette introduced a brand new boiler.

Ruby Wins Jury by Own Plea.

Disregard of the jury last night ended the second trial of Ed Ruby, a carpenter, accused of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The case went to the jury at noon Friday. The jury was discharged by Judge Kavanaugh late last night. Although the case was tried in the Circuit Court, Ruby conducted his own defense, cross-examining the witnesses and making the final plea to the jury.

New Guinea is one of few countries that has present unbroken fields for the explorer.

PORTLAND WEST POINTER SEEKS COMMAND IN VOLUNTEERS



Lieutenant Ronald Johnson, application for a commission as captain in the Oregon volunteers has been filed with Senators Chamberlain and Lieut. Ronald Johnson, a former Portland boy, Lieutenant Johnson is the first Oregon West Pointer graduate to seek a commission in the state volunteers.

Lieutenant Johnson has been on duty on the Mexican border with the Third United States Cavalry since the beginning of Mexican hostilities. He was transferred to Manila last January.

CONSUL AT CANANEA THREATENED BY MOB

United States Agent Decides, However, to Let Flag Fly Until Usual Time.

QUIET EXODUS CONTINUES

Raid of Armed Mexicans on American Side of Border Starts Posses in Pursuit—Men Bent on Robbing Miners.

NOGALES, Ariz., April 25.—Hostile acts committed by irresponsible rebels against Americans in various parts of the interior of Northwestern Mexico became such today as to increase apprehensions that the demonstrations might assume more serious aspects.

C. L. Montague, American Consul at Cananea, a copper mining town, 45 miles south of Nogales, Ariz., telegraphed to Consul Frederick Simplic that at 5 o'clock tonight a mob of rebels was congregating about the Consulate and speeches threatening Americans were being made.

All the Americans except Montague, however, had reached the border safely by Montague had remained to pack up the Consulate archives.

Mob Threatens Consulate.
 "Am now in office attempting to pack up archives," the dispatch read. "Large mob now congregating on all sides of the Consulate. Strong speeches being made against Americans. Some advocate breaking into Consulate; others to take down American flag. I have decided not to take down the flag until 5:30, the usual time, so as not to create excitement. Do not know what the result will be."

Consul Simplic immediately telegraphed a vigorous note to rebel authorities at Cananea, asking that American interests must be protected and deprecating any show of violence against the American Consul, American Agent.

Except for the acts of irresponsible Mexicans, the exodus of Americans from Mexico continued quietly today. Louis Hostetter, American Consul at Hermosillo, telegraphed he would reach the border Monday.

Obregon Gives Protection.
 Americans as far south of Hermosillo as Culiacan are being brought north on a special train under protection of General Alvaro Obregon, the rebel commander. Most of the Jefes have shown a willingness to assist in the departure of Americans, and fear for the safety of foreigners is centered only in possible acts of the more lawless elements who have become outspoken in anti-American sentiment.

A raid of armed Mexicans on the United States side of the border occurred about 20 miles east of Nogales when a dozen Mexicans, well equipped with guns, started from Patagonia, Ariz., to rob mining camps on their way to the border. Americans from Nogales and surrounding towns quickly armed themselves and started in pursuit of the Mexicans.

2 DEATHS INVESTIGATED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR DROWNING MAY BE PLACED ON OWNER.

Alex Barclay, Driver of Wagon that Killed Boyce Logan, is Exonerated by Witness.

Coroner Slocum, in company with Deputy District Attorney Ryan, yesterday visited the pool at East Third and Belmont streets, where little Edwin Hensley was drowned Friday, and afterward announced that he would hold an inquest Monday. He said he would subpoena the owners of the property to show the reason why the pool had not been raised in or otherwise protected.

"In four blocks, directly south of the pool where the little fellow was drowned there were three other equally dangerous," he said. "I intend to try and fix the blame for the accident, and get the danger spots remedied so that such accidents shall not happen again here."

"Last year there were several drownings under similar circumstances, and this being the first one this year, I will try and make it the last, if the Coroner's office can accomplish it. The ponds are not only dangerous but unsightly, and I will take the matter up with the health office, in case I cannot find law to sustain my effort to have them filled in or fenced off."

An inquest was held yesterday over the body of Boyce Logan, the four-year-old boy who was crushed by a dray. Alex Barclay, driver of the wagon, and F. Rennie, a fireman, who saved one of the boys, was heard. The inquest was adjourned until Monday to get another important eye-witness. Evidence yesterday was favorable to Barclay, showing that he could not have known of or prevented the death of the lad, who was climbing on the wagon when thrown off and killed.

Journal Printer Dies.
 George J. Hemmeter, 355 East Thirtieth street, a printer on the Journal, died Friday night at Salem from peritonitis. The body will be sent to his former home in Michigan for burial. Mr. Hemmeter leaves a widow. He was a member of the Masonic order.

The Society Islanders have a "candle nut" which they bake, string on rushes and convert into torches.

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Morrison at Fourth

SALUTE TO BE ISSUED

Flood Explains Effect of Movement to Arbitrate.

HUERTA ALSO MUST AGREE

Hope Expressed That Latin-American Mediators, Knowing Mexicans Better Than We, May Bring End to Revolution.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(Special).—The acceptance by the United States of the offer of mediation made by the three South American republics, provided the same good offices are accepted by the Mexican authorities, is the best possible way of settling the present critical situation, declared Representative Flood, chairman of the House foreign affairs committee, on coming out of the conference with President Wilson. Senators Stone and Shively, chairman and acting chairman, respectively, of the Senate foreign relations committee; Senator Lodge, ranking Republican member of the committee, and Representative Cooper, ranking Republican on the House committee.

"The reply made to the South American republics by this country," said Mr. Flood, "means that we will agree to arbitrate our differences with the de facto government of Mexico in regard to the salute of 21 guns, providing Huerta will do the same.

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