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## DEFIANT TONE IN THE MEXICAN NOTE A COUP

### MEXICAN CITY VERSION FOR NATIVES ONLY

WHEN OFFICIAL TEXT COMES SHARPNESS WILL LIKELY BE LESS MARKED

### MEDIATION POSSIBILITY STILL BOUYS DIPLOMATS

Washington Believes That When Mexican Official Interpreted Mexican Note Yesterday He Did It Chiefly for Home Consumption to Prop Chief.

Washington, July 1.—Advices today indicated that Carranza went adopt a defiant tone in answer to President Wilson's note in more detail. Instead he will send a firm note emphasizing that he considers the presence of American troops in Mexico an infringement upon the sovereignty of his country. The United Press informant, whose information heretofore has proven correct indicated Carranza's answer won't bring a breach between the two nations. Some quarters suggested that the note may open a way to mediation.

**Home Consumption Considered**  
Agular's statement published yesterday, was interpreted here to have been intended for home consumption. Despite its language the state department officials said the Mexican reply is manifestly better than Carranza's first note. It doesn't demand withdrawal of the American expedition, though it questions their right to remain. Officials thought efforts of South American, European and American diplomats to swing Carranza in line might result fruitfully.

**Dependents Cared For**  
Washington, July 1.—The House passed the Hay resolution today appropriating two million dollars to relieve dependent families of married militiamen. There were only two dissenting votes. It authorizes the secretary of war to pay a family without an income fifty dollars monthly. Representatives James of Michigan and Small of North Carolina, voted against it.

### SEAT SALE MONDAY Auto Races July Fourth Provided With Parking Space

To accommodate those who want to have car parking space reserved at the July 4th races, a plat will be put up at Jay Van Buren's store Monday. Those holding \$5.00 season tickets, and those buying four single admission tickets are entitled to car spacing, obtainable by presenting the tickets.

### BERNAL HUG WINNER Eigin Lad Carries Off Gold Demarest Medal in Contests

Six Elgin young people, each winner of silver trophies previously, contested this noon before an interesting group of people at Riverside Park, in the big demarest gold medal contest which climaxed the week of Civic parliament at the chautauqua. James Gekler, Mabel Hug, Howard Good, Bernal Hug and Grace Wagner were the contestants. Each was especially good and the judges, Mrs. A. T. Hill, Mrs. Peter McDonald and Rev. Chas. A. Edwards, deliberated most carefully before reaching a decision. Howard Good was awarded second honors, while the grand honors and the gold medal went to Bernal Hug.

**Colorado Dry, Drinks Milk**  
Denver, Colo., July 1.—The report of the city's bureau of charity and correction today shows that since the Colorado prohibition law became effective January 1 the people have been drinking more milk. Prohibition did not create an unemployment problem because there have been fewer "out of work" since January than for several years. The number of families asking relief from the bureau has been about a hundred a month less than for the corresponding months last year. Grocers reported better collections.

### SONS OF HUGHES AND T. R. WIN TITLES



Chas. E. Hughes, Jr. Archie Roosevelt

Sons of Charles E. Hughes, republican nominee for president, and Theodore Roosevelt, have won promotion in the military training camp at Plattsburg, New York.

Charles E. Hughes, Jr., is to be a corporal, and Archie Roosevelt a battalion quartermaster in the training regiment.

## PROHIBITION LEADERS MEET

### EASTERN OREGON DISTRICT HOLDS SESSION Officers Elected and Various Candidates Endorsed

District and state candidates of the Prohibition party were named and officers for a permanent organization of the Eastern Oregon district association—better known as the Eastern Oregon congressional branch of the State Prohibition party—was effected at a meeting at Riverside park this morning of delegates and officers from the territory embraced. The convention was adjourned at the noon hour until further call of the chair. George L. Cleaver presided, and the permanent officers elected include: C. J. Bright, The Dalles, chairman; Mrs. Hattie Clark Union, secretary; J. D. Brown, Arlington, treasurer. Mr. Brown and J. Dobbin of Joseph constitute the finance committee.

Several new names will be placed on the November election ticket as a consequence of the convention this morning. The convention endorsed W. M. Pierce for joint senator from Union and Wallawa counties, and David H. B. Davidhizer of Joseph, for joint representative, same district. For public service commissioner, J. M. Burleigh of Enterprise was endorsed and F. S. Stubb of Freewater and Mrs. Para Thornton of La Grande, were named delegates to the National convention.

**Ex-Chief Married**  
A Streator, Ill., paper received by the Claude Mackey family carries the news that Charles B. Orai, former chief of police, and Mary See were married in Ottawa, Ill., June 28. In company with a lady relative, Mr. Orai and Mary See drove in an automobile to Illinois, and after the honeymoon will visit relatives.

**Brass Thief Caught**  
Juan Rivers, with earmarks of a Mexican but claiming some South American nationality, is under arrest today on a charge of stealing brass from the Palmer camps. He is reported to have confessed, and the arraignment is set for this afternoon.

## Allied Offensive Begun With Many Victories Won

### EAGLES READY TO BEGIN FUN

#### ORATION BY WALLACE TRILL FEATURE ON THE 4TH

#### Lodge Carnival of Patriotic Exercises and Natal Day Fun Begins Monday

La Grande Aerie, No. 259, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will give its Fourth of July carnival at Zuber's Hall on Washington avenue this year, beginning Monday, July 3d, and continuing over July 4th and 5th. This will be the fourth annual carnival given by La Grande Aerie of Eagles, and in order to avoid the dust and inconveniences connected with the former carnivals, when given out at Eagles' Park on the river, it has been decided to hold this year's show at and around Zuber's Hall. Here will be provided one of the best dancing floors in town, with large electric fans giving plenty of ventilation, and it goes without question that the coming carnival will far out-shine all former shows put on by the local Aerie of Eagles.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by Prof. Haines' orchestra, which fact alone guarantees the very best music to be found anywhere.

Monday evening the show will be opened by a grand street parade of Eagles, leaving Zuber Hall at 7:30 and lead through the business streets by the Elks' Band, with flags and banners befitting the occasion.

On Tuesday at 11 o'clock will be held the patriotic exercises. The main oration of the day will be delivered by the well-known lawyer and orator, Wallace G. Trill of Wallawa. Mr. Trill is a former La Grande boy and his many friends here will be given an opportunity on this occasion to hear him at his best.

Reading of the Declaration of Independence, vocal and other music, will complete this part of the program.

Sports and games of all kinds will be provided. Jack Pearce, an old-time Eagle and former foot racer, will have charge of the races and outdoor sports. The Eagle's Roost, a reproduction of an old frontier gambling hall will be one center of interest. Here with Eagle phoney money, all will be given a chance to try their luck at the wheels of fortune and games of chance, as the early-day miner and frontiersman did.

Unfortunately the committee has not been able to secure a Merry-Go-Round, but it is fully expected to provide other attractions which will make up for this loss.

Geo. Young, the well-known confectioner, will move his establishment down to Zuber Hall and furnish all refreshments. This guarantees the very best in his line, however. Mr. Young will leave a small detachment of his force of employees at his store up town.

Further details of the program will appear in Monday's Observer.

## IN FIT OF DESPONDENCY HUSBAND DRINKS POISON

John Mullenburg, a young man employed in the O.-W. shops, and son of the well known Mullenburg family of Island City, attempted unsuccessfully, consequences indicate, to end his life this morning in the George Ball apartments, corner Washington and Depot, following a serious period of domestic difficulties. His wife was on the way to the train to quit him and return to her father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. G. N. Calhoun of Freewater, when Mullenburg drank the deadly portion that came near ending his life. The family troubles seem to have driven him into a fit of despondency. He left his apartments shortly before 8 o'clock and carrying a two-ounce bottle of carbolic acid, and some milk, went to an outhouse of the residence and there unwrapped the poison and drank it and some of the milk using a straw, the milk reduced the burns to the mouth.

He left the undrunk part of the milk in the outhouse but still held the empty bottle in his hands after he had returned in the house and entered the front door. There as he stepped into the hall, he collapsed and developed a rigid stupor, without convulsions. The police and Dr. Hall were quickly notified and first-aid antidotes were administered. A stomach pump was applied and quickly rallied the young man. It is not certain what the outcome will be.

London, July 1.—The allies' supreme offensive began at 7:30 this morning with simultaneous attacks by British and French. Two hours after the assaults began, British had captured sixteen miles of German forward trenches north of Somme. The British statement declared French gains "were equally satisfactory." The British attack on a 25-mile front followed the most terrific four-day bombardment in the history of the world. Firmly holding the captured trenches the British are pressing forward farther. The statements said: "At 9:30 we had occupied the German front line, digging in behind rows of German dead. The British casualties thus far are not heavy."

Official statements are fragmentary. The drive began a few hours after Germans had launched the most powerful onslaughts at Verdun in many weeks. Paris reports Germans were repulsed sanguinarily everywhere, except where they recaptured Thiaumont.

**Newspapers Announce News**  
British captured Serre and Montauban, it is semi-officially announced. The French captured Curly and Savier-Waard, advancing two kilometers. A further statement announced the capture of Laboiselle and declared English hold ground north of Fricourt, attacking Beaumont-hamel.

## CHAUTAUQUA COMES TO CLOSE TOMORROW NIGHT

**THE CLOSING NUMBERS.**  
Saturday evening—Sequoia male quartet, Sylvester Long, popular orator.  
Sunday morning—Sunday School and religious address by Rev. G. L. Clark.  
Afternoon—Robert Parker Miles, noted editor, reformer and orator. Concert by La Grande Elks' band.  
Evening—Short recital by Miss Carney. Kaffir Boys' choir.

Tomorrow night "curtain" will fall upon the 1916 Chautauqua assembly. While Riverside park will retain its population until after Tuesday, largely, and until after Monday specifically, the Chautauqua itself will die tomorrow night to sleep another year. The management has retained one of the biggest numbers of the week for the closing night, and tonight and tomorrow afternoon will hear two of the foremost lecturers of the American platform, so that the last 24 hours of the assembly will be exceptionally good.

Rain has been a disagreeable factor in the assembly drawing to a close but for all that the daily average attendance has been higher than ever before, records will very probably show. The Chautauqua spirit has been so rife that a week of almost continuously bad weather has failed to stem the crowds that flock out afternoon and night. In the light of weather conditions the attendance has been a splendid mirror to the universal support extant.

**FOR COUNTY ORGANIZATION**  
Fruit Growers Will Hold Meeting At La Grande July 12

The fruit growers of Union county will hold a meeting at the city hall in La Grande on Wednesday, July 12, 1916. This meeting is the result of the fruit marketing meetings recently held in various parts of the county, the growers of these sections being desirous of having a county meeting for the purpose of discussing a county organization.

Members of the extension service of O. A. C. will be present to answer any questions and furnish information on various forms of organization. County Agent Paul H. Spillman will also be present.

**Returned from Visit to Walla Walla.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Condit and daughter, Marjorie, and Mr. and Mrs. George Rynearson have returned from a delightful trip to Walla Walla where they went to visit Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reed, former La Grande residents. The trip was made in Mr. Condit's car.

**BOYS IN JOYRIDE.**  
Three Youngsters Go to Haines in Early Morning Ride.

Sometime shortly after the midnight hour, three youngsters ranging in ages from 10 to 13 abandoned bicycles which they had been riding during the late hours and got into an automobile for a joyride. The driver, whom the boys say gave his name as O'Brien, headed for Baker. He took them to Haines on the trip, fed them breakfast there, and sent them home on No. 17. The highly alarmed parents were about to institute a thoroughgoing search when the boys turned up.

The boys claim the man asked them to guide him over the mountains.

**STORES CLOSED TUESDAY.**  
Quiet Observations of the Fourth of July Is Indicated Here.

Business houses general are to be closed all day Tuesday July fourth. The same holds true of barber shops, and public offices and buildings. The motor races, the park, fishing streams and other alluring spots will no doubt call away large numbers for a genuinely sane fourth of July.

**FLOUR DOWN AGAIN**  
Home Brands Drop 20 Cents Per Barrel Today

## CLOUDBURST KILLS FOUR

MORO, ORE., VICINITY IS SCENE OF DISASTER YESTERDAY EVENING

### WATER WALL TWENTY FEET HIGH TUMBLES

**Two Women and Two Men Trapped—Bodies Being Carried Many Miles Down Stream—Houses Swept From Foundations and Carried Many Miles.**

Moro, Ore., July 1.—Bodies of four victims in a cloudburst in Hay Canyon, were recovered today. A wall of water 20 feet high swept the canyon at 6 o'clock last night. Mrs. Fortner and daughter, Mrs. Lawrence, occupying a ranch house near Monkland, were inside the house when the flood struck it. The house was carried away and demolished two miles down the canyon. The body of Mrs. Lawrence was found four miles away. Mrs. Fortner's body was nine miles down the valley this morning.

Three men camped in a tent under the hill side were repairing a road and fled to a nearby knoll when the water swept the tent away. Seeing higher water coming the two crossed a ravine and attempted to reach still higher ground. One became entangled in the brush and drowned, the other pulled himself safely away. The third, remaining on the knoll, was swept away and killed.

The men's bodies were found three miles down stream.

**Meets in New York**  
New York, July 1.—For the first time in its fifty-four years of existence, the National Education association, beginning today, is holding its annual meeting in New York City.

According to Dr. David B. Johnson of Rockhill, S. C., President and Durand W. Springer of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Secretary, the advance enrollment indicates an attendance of 30,000 delegates. The session opens in the ballroom of the Hotel Astor, with the meeting of the National Council of Education, Robert J. Aley, President of the University of Maine, presiding.

How to make the next generation better is the subject of the discussion led by Robert M. Yerkes, psychologist, of Boston. He advocates better personal sanitation and hygiene, better conditions surrounding work, proper recreations and closer parentage restrictions.

S. W. Strauss, president of the American Society of Thrift, Chicago, addresses the Council on "The Greater Thrift." He speaks of thrift in its relation to country life, city life, the industries, banking, the home, labor unions, boards of trade, and chamber of commerce.

Other societies meeting with the National Education association, July 1 to 8, are: American home economics association, American school peace league, National federation of state teachers' associations, School garden association of America, National congress of mothers and parent-teacher associations, League of teachers' associations, Association for the wider use of school houses, National conference for the extension of education, Conference of deans of women, Modern languages conference, National conference of visiting teachers, American school hygiene association, and the American Posture league.

**MISS BONHUR TO SING**  
Consents To Give a Few Numbers At Arcade This Evening

Miss Bernice Bonhuer, who is well known on the Pacific coast, in musical and theatrical circles from her leading roll in the Silver Slipper, arrived in La Grande last evening to visit for a few days with Mrs. O. C. Leiter of the Arcade.

Miss Bonhuer has consented to sing some of the popular songs this evening at the Arcade and her appearance is looked forward to with considerable pleasure. She has been in Chicago for some time studying and her reputation as an artist insures all who attend the theater this evening a delightful entertainment.

**Ashwill Moves Office**  
Attorney Eugene Ashwill has moved his offices from the Palmer-Roesch building to the Coolidge building, occupying a suite over the Oxner paint store.

**Mrs. Kohl Better**  
Mrs. Mary Kohl is today reported to be much improved and her friends were probably needlessly alarmed yesterday.