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Carranza Troops Desert De Facto Government to Join Villa Crowd

VILLA SPIRIT SPREADING IN MANY STATES

SENTIMENT FOR BANDIT CHIEF-TAIN PRONOUNCED NEAR CHIHUAHUA.

FRIENDSHIP ALONG THE BORDER MORE NOTICEABLE

Fact Villa Will Personally Lead Army Against Gringos Is Taken as Inspiration for Both Carranza Followers and Soldiers to Desert.

El Paso, July 11.—Persistent reports that Mexicans are flocking to Villa's standard culminated in an unconfirmed rumor that several hundred Carranzistas withdrew from the Chihuahua garrison to join Villa and it is reported disorders followed.

Carranza officials here emphatically denied the rumors of a revolt in the defacto ranks. The Guerrero district is aflame with Villa spirit. Hundreds of natives deserted Guerrero villages, presumably to join the new army which they believe Villa will lead personally against the gringos.

Motor truckers believe the entire district is a hot bed of Villa sentiment. Further north the natives are friendly, enjoying the first peace in years.

The rainy season is now well started, flooding parts of the line.

MR. CLARK GOING EAST.

Former Y. M. C. A. Secretary Going Through La Grande Thursday.

According to information received today, Roy J. Clark, at one time secretary of the Y. M. C. A. here, and now located at Astoria, will pass through La Grande Thursday evening on No. 18, en route east on a business trip.

He says in his letter he is well satisfied with his new location and has been extremely busy getting his building organized for good work.

SHERIFF IS ILL.

Sunburned Pate Causing Considerable Grief to Officer.

A thin, silk hat, and horseshoe pitching under a boiling sun, proved the undoing of Sheriff August Hug a few days ago. While in Elgin at a family reunion recently, he participated in a horseshoe pitching contest, wearing a thin silk hat the meantime. Mr. Hug hasn't an overabundance of hirsute adornment on that part of his anatomy usually designated as the pate, and ere the sheriff knew his fate, the pate, it was found—too late—had been blistered and sunscorched. He is suffering much inconvenience with the whole affair, these days.

CORPE PLACE SOLD.

Recent Resident of Colorado Is New Citizen of Country.

Mrs. Jennie B. Corpe of Cove has sold one of her farms through the Geo. H. Currey Real Estate Agency to C. Bertsch, a recent arrival from Colorado, who has taken immediate possession.

The farm consisted of 224 acres with unusual value in buildings and equipment especially adapted for the dairy business. Stock implements and machinery were included in the sale. Mrs. Corpe and her nephew Mr. Peterson expect to make a tour of Yellowstone Park in a few days by auto. Mr. Currey states that there is ample room for more such families in Union county and Cove is to be congratulated in securing Mr. and Mrs. Bertsch as residents. Mr. Dutli, the well known baker, and Mr. Bertsch are friends of many years standing and it was largely through the influence of Mr. Dutli that brought them to this country.

Hears of Relative's Death.

Fire Chief Claude Mackey was advised this morning by wire that his nephew, Harold Mackey, aged 21, at Boxelder, Mont., was drowned last night. The deceased was the son of C. E. Mackey a brother of Mr. Mackey of this city. No details accompany this information.

PROHIBITION CANDIDATE MUST RECKON WITH VOTE OF WOMEN!



Among the prominent women active in the nearby prohibition convention are: Top, left—Mrs. Frances E. Beaucamp of Lexington, Ky., member of the national committee 20 years; top, right—Mrs. M. E. Barbour of Minneapolis, pioneer worker in the temperance movement; lower, left—Mrs. Florence Slown Hyde of Chicago, active in the Women's National Prohibition federation, and lower right—Mrs. Frances Heald of Nebraska, member national committee.

EPIDEMIC IS WORSE AGAIN

THIRTY-TWO FATALITIES OCCUR TODAY.

Total Deaths to Date Since Plague Started Is 270.

New York, July 11.—Despite prodigious efforts to curb infantile paralysis, deaths and new cases showed an increase of 100 percent in Brooklyn since yesterday. Total deaths are 270. Thirty-two fatalities were reported today in Brooklyn. Yesterday only nine died there.

Coast Is Alarmed.

Portland, July 11.—Health officers in Washington, British Columbia, Idaho, Oregon and California, may meet in Portland soon to discuss means of keeping the infantile paralysis epidemic from the Pacific coast. They are gathering at Seattle today for a preliminary conference and may hold a meeting here Saturday.

Birth Record.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Winn, 808 F street, July 9th, an eight-pound daughter. Mother and daughter are doing nicely, and as for the father, his co-workers in the Barbers' union of which he is a member, have enjoyed copious first-class cigars these days.

Salem to Aid Needy Families.

Salem, Or., July 10.—With the view of raising funds for dependent families of members of company M of the Oregon national guard, a mass meeting will be held tonight at the armory, under the auspices of the Salem Patriotic league. Ex-Mayor Luchmud, exalted ruler of the Elks, has issued a call to the members of the lodge to be present and aid.

Justice George H. Burnett will preside, and addresses will be made by Rev. H. E. Marshall and Rev. James Elvin, Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges and Tom Ordemann will sing. Following the meeting there will be a dance. At the mass meeting the citizens will be asked to pledge themselves to aid the dependent families of the guardsmen as long as the men must stay at the Mexican front.

Women had their say in the Republican, Progressive and Democratic conventions and will speak up when the national prohibition party meets at St. Paul July 19 to name a candidate for president.

FOREST FIRE TIME NEAR AT HAND.

Nineteen sixteen's first forest blazes have been conquered quered with trifling loss, one being near the Park, and another off to the west. This emphasizes the fact that the very present danger of forest fire is upon Eastern Oregon and hereafter extreme caution should be exercised by all campers, woodsmen and tourists.

Fire Warden Lowell Williamson reports that forests are ripe for blazes and that timber interests, the state, government and general welfare of communities appeal for caution on the part of the public. The forests of Oregon are its greatest asset, and it behooves the public to conserve them.

LONGSHOREMEN'S WAR NO NEARER END THAN BEFORE

San Francisco, July 11.—Peace conferences between longshoremen and employers has encountered another obstacle when the employers flatly demanded stevedores return to work at wages prevailing before the walkout.

The strike committee has considered the demand but has not accepted. End of the trouble appears far distant. Mediator White, who felt confident, until a few hours ago, is still working.

Unconditional Surrender is the Only Terms the Employers Offers and the Employers' Stand is the Result of Action of Commercial Organizations Raising a Million Dollars to Support an Open Shop.

Robbed and Dynamited

Cle Elum, Wash., July 10.—At an early hour yesterday morning, the drug store of Thomas Stoves was dynamited, the front and a large part of the interior of the store being totally wrecked, entailing a damage of about \$750. The officers claim it

VILLAGE OF CONTALMAISON TAKEN BY FOE

BRITISH STORM AND TAKE FORT CONTENTED FOR SEVERAL DAYS.

AUSTRIAN BOAT SINKS SEVERAL PATROL CRAFTS

French Lines Barely a Mile from Perrone, Seem Ready to Grasp That Point—Twenty-two Villages Taken by Allies Since the Offensive Started.

London, July 11.—British last night stormed and carried the village of Contalmaison, about which violent fighting has raged since the opening of the offensive. Gen. Haig reported 189 prisoners were taken.

"Further east we stormed several lines of trenches in Mammetz wood and the greater part of the wood is in our possession," he says. Heavy fighting continues at Trones wood. Germans counter attacked strongly at Contalmaison but were repulsed sanguinarily. The British hold the village. Two hundred and ninety-six prisoners were taken in fighting in Mammetz wood.

Twenty-two villages, all highly fortified have been captured since the offensive began ten days ago.

Perrone, barely a mile from the French lines, is almost within grasp. Paris has reported the Germans launched a powerful attack northwest of Verdun this morning, occupying a few trenches, but were later ousted. Paris stated Germans entered 200 yards of French trenches at Lorraine.

Austrian Ship Sinks Boat.

Berlin, July 11. (Wireless to Sayville)—Four and possibly five armored British patrol boats were destroyed by an Austrian cruiser off Otranto, the Austrian admiral has announced. All the patrol boats sank, three burning after the boilers exploded.

The Novara could only rescue nine British sailors from the crews. The prisoners said there were five patrol boats in the group.

FIRE IN CLOSET.

Mrs. J. A. Lindenburg Discovers Blaze at Early Stage.

Because the lady of the house, discovered a slow fire in some clothing in a closet in the upstairs of her home, before the blaze attained any magnitude, the fire department had but little trouble this afternoon ending the fire before serious harm was done. A little child in the house had been hunting for a doll in the upstairs rooms and Mrs. Lindenburg thinks probably the little one obtained possession of some matches. The department after the long run cared for the blaze with hand chemicals.

Many Austrians Captured.

Petrograd, July 11.—Gen. Brusiloff has captured more than 271,000 Austrians and Germans since the beginning of the Russian offensive it is officially announced.

POOR POLICEMAN; HIS LIFE'S HARD

GET CURSED BECAUSE HE DID AND DIDN'T.

Two Elgin Parties Look Upon Speed Law in Directly Opposite Viewpoints.

All is not rosy pathways, this business of being policeman, more especially traffic cop. During the Chautauqua the police department was scolded by outsiders for enforcing the speed limits and in the same hour upbraided for not doing so. A leading Elgin family drove to town in a newly-purchased automobile. They wanted to drive out to the Chautauqua but when they got into the maelstrom of autos they decided they didn't know enough as yet about running an automobile. They complained to the police that speeding was permitted to a degree where an unadmitted auto driver was shunted aside. They missed the Chautauqua.

Then there came to town the same day another Elgin auto party. In crossing the O-W. tracks this party, speeding, was arrested and fined. Twenty-one local drivers and one Elgin party was the toll in the anti-speeding campaign. Now at Elgin the Recorder reflects considerable bitterness because an Elgin party was arrested for speeding in La Grande, claiming the alibi that they didn't know they were in the "city limits." The police department has authorized the warning to all auto drivers that whenever they are under arc lights in the vicinity of La Grande, they are pretty liable to be in the city bounded area.

COVE CONCERT TOMORROW.

Washington Singer and Reader to Give Concert.

Cove, July 11.—Wednesday July 12 Mrs. Jocelyn Roberts of Washington, D. C., who is visiting here, will give a two-part concert for the benefit of the Cove Cherry fair. Her first numbers will be readings and the last music. Mrs. Roberts is a skilled musician and a splendid reader, and Cove looks forward to an exceptional program. She has already been heard here and in such numbers as she has appeared, her ability has been marked and greatly appreciated. The program will be announced in detail tomorrow.

Irish Denied Fire Arms.

London, July 11.—An order prohibiting carrying of fire arms throughout Ireland has been issued. Lord Lansdowne has announced to the Lords.

RIGHTOR NEW EXALTED RULER

LLOYD MAXWELL OF IOWA DEFEATED

Boston Selected As Meeting Place of R. P. O. E.

Baltimore, July 11.—Edgar Rightor of New Orleans, was elected grand exalted ruler of the Elks over Lloyd Maxwell of Marshalltown, Iowa. Boston was selected as the next reunion in 1918.

DAN PATCH DEAD

Famous Harness Horse 'Passes Away' At Savage, Minn.

Minneapolis, July 11.—Dan Patch, the world's fastest pacer, died today at Savage, Minn.

Oregon Troops Feel Fine

Salem, July 10.—The Oregon troops distributed along the border are in first-class condition and are shaping up in splendid fashion under the intensive drilling and vigorous life in the open air, writes Adjutant General George A. White, new captain of Troop A, cavalry, in a letter today to Governor Withycombe.

"If the opportunity presents itself," continued White, "I am sure that all will give a good account of themselves in any situation that may be presented."

Touching the financial and property sides of office administration in connection with his department, the adjutant general says that a total balance to the department's credit on June 28, amounted to \$53,000. As the appropriation for a two year period amounted to \$155,000 the balance for the final six months was in excess of the appropriation for that period.

Major Walter W. Wilson was designated by the adjutant general to conduct the affairs of the office during White's absence. All property accounts between the state and the United States will be adjusted by the end of this month.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTS THE DEUTSCHLAND

AMERICAN NAVAL OFFICER GOES INTO BOAT TO LOOK FOR GUNS.

ANOTHER SUBMERSIBLE NEARING RIO JANEIRO

Allies Will Bend Every Effort to Have Uncle Sam Declare the Super-Submarine Is Not a Merchantman—England Says "Potently a War-ship."

Baltimore, July 11.—Capt. Hughes of the American navy boarded the Deutschland this afternoon to inspect her for armament. The manager of the Ocean Transportation company gave the commission, and Captain Koenig agreed. The inspection was made at the instance of English and French embassies who declare it is improper to harbor the ship as a merchantman. England and France will exert every effort to prevent the United States recognizing the Deutschland as a Merchantman and will do all possible to prevent operations of the submersibles, the embassies declared.

The British embassy has declared any submarine is potentially a warship. British Consul Barclay told the American officials this.

Rio Janeiro, July 11.—An official newspaper has declared a sister ship to the super-submarine Deutschland is crossing the Atlantic and will arrive here within 10 days. The state chancellor received the notification.

Suit to Postpone Hearing.

Salem, Or., July 10.—Because of an injunction issued by Circuit Judge Galloway the public service commission has indefinitely postponed a hearing which was to have been held at Bend tomorrow, July 11, with relation to the Central Oregon Irrigation company.

Complaint was filed against the company by the Central Oregon Irrigation Company Water Users' association, it contending that the company's water service was inadequate. The irrigation company brought proceedings in the supreme court challenging the jurisdiction of the commission, and the court held that it had no jurisdiction over the matter in the first instance. In view of the decision the company began proceedings in the circuit court and the case will now unquestionably go to the supreme court no matter what the decision of the lower tribunal.

Elks Have Plans for New Home.

Centralia, Wash., July 11.—The new home committee of the Centralia Elks yesterday received from Stevens & Stevens, Seattle architects, tentative plans for the new \$45,000 building to be erected on property belonging to the Elks in this city. The plans call for a three-story brick building, 60 by 120 feet in size. The basement will contain a swimming pool, gymnasium and bowling alley, while the first floor will contain a banquet hall, lobby, billiard, card rooms and lounging rooms. The lodge hall will be located on the second floor extending through the third floor. The balance of the second and third floors will be taken up with sleeping rooms.

WILL SUE THE STATE.

Baker County Claims \$15,000 Due From Forest Fund.

Baker, July 11.—The matter of collecting \$15,000 alleged due Baker as its share of the receipts of national forest moneys, the members of the county court yesterday, after conferring with District Attorney Godwin, decided to bring suit against the secretary of state to recover the amount. Mr. Godwin, who has made an exhaustive study of the legal phases of the situation, believes the amount can be collected.

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Judge Messick and Commissioners Welch and Ritter recently went to Salem and presented the county's claim, which Mr. Olcott refused to entertain, holding that distribution had been made in accordance with the federal and state laws.