



THE MEXICAN SITUATION

The Limit Nearly Reached, Better Hurry Up Says Judge Goodwin.

President Wilson of the United States and President Carranza of Mexico had better hurry up or they both will have trouble. There are some tens of thousands of men in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California who would need but a word to cause them to spring to arms, and to go down and take the northern row of states in Mexico and stop for good the atrocities that have been perpetrated there day after day and week after week for the past four years. Evidently Villa is trying to bring on just such an interposition. He hates Carranza with a nameless personal hatred; in addition he sees no hope for his country under Carranza's presidency; he knows there is no hope for himself while Carranza is in power and morally backed by the United States, and he does not care what means are taken to oust Carranza from his present rule. He is smart enough to know that the men of the southwest are heartily sick of the "watchful waiting" program which President Wilson inaugurated long ago, and he is trying his best evidently to invent stratagems which will finally so enrage the people across the border in the United States that they will spring to arms with an irrepressible determination to wreak vengeance on those scoundrels in Mexico who are only not fit to govern themselves, but are not fit to live. There is a double reason why President Wilson should serve notice on Carranza to establish order in those northern states at once, and if he cannot the United States will. One reason is that the United States has already postponed interference too long, the other is that if the war in Europe were to suddenly cease, there would be imminent danger of a new alliance across the sea involving those who are now friends and enemies there for the purpose of taking and partitioning Mexico, despite the United States; for the subjects of half a dozen of those nations have been despoiled in Mexico, and the United States which has assumed the responsibility of protecting them has utterly failed in keeping the implied covenant.—Goodwin's Weekly.

Grip Rages at Nehalem

Nehalem, Or., Jan. 25—The prevalence of the grip has forced the closing of the grammar school here, as more than half the pupils enrolled are sick. A heavy snow storm is raging today.

VIENNA IS ALARMED BY ILLNESS OF EMPEROR

Francis Joseph's Chronic Bronchitis Has Assumed an Acute Form.

Paris, Jan. 24—Press dispatches from Rome say that considerable anxiety is felt in Vienna in consequence of the illness of Emperor Francis Joseph, whose chronic bronchitis has assumed an acute form. They add that he is confined to bed, that all court receptions and audiences have been suspended and that he is not even receiving the military authorities. He is being nursed by the Archduchess Zita, wife of the heir to the throne, according to the same dispatches.

Arizona Flood Damage is More Than \$1,000,000.

Yuma, Ariz., Jan. 24—With the waters of the Colorado river receding, work of rescuing Yuma valley flood sufferers was carried forward by local authorities, aided by officials of the Southern Pacific railroad from Tucson, Ariz., who arrived here with equipment to supply the city temporarily with water, gas and electricity. It was estimated that the damage from the flood would amount to more than \$1,000,000.

Portland To Have Chance on Supplies for Alaska

Washington, Jan. 24—The secretary of commerce has advised the Oregon delegation that the light house inspector at Ketchikan has been instructed to add the Portland Chamber of Commerce to the mailing lists when bids are called for requiring the furnishing of supplies for Alaska direct.

Efforts Made to Open Market For Coast Salmon.

Washington, Jan. 24—Senator Chamberlain is advised by Secretary of State Lansing that the state department is engaged in active diplomatic negotiations with a view to having steamship companies to accept shipments of salmon to Scandinavia. The department has no power to require companies to accept consignments.

OUR OWN STATE

Some Recent Happenings in Various Parts of Oregon.

Old Resident Passes Away

Canyon City, Or., Jan. 24—Mrs. Sebella Overholt died at her home in this city Saturday morning. Deceased was an old resident of Canyon City. She has long been a sufferer from heart trouble and for the past months was confined to her bed. She is survived by two children, a son, Elmer, of Arizona, who was called to her bedside soon after she was taken ill, and a daughter, Mrs. D. L. Ashbury, of McMinnville, Or., who was unable to be present. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon.

Death Visits Homes of Ashland

Ashland, Or., Jan. 24—Three deaths of old and respected citizens occurred Friday and Saturday. J. Leslie Corbett, pioneer and former city engineer, passed away in his sleep Saturday morning. He had been suffering with the grip, but was down town in his usual good spirits Friday. A sister and niece in Ashland and a grandson in East survive. Mrs. Sarah J. Barber of Ashland, died at the home of her son, W. M. Barber, Friday afternoon. She came to Ashland from Columbus, Ohio, a year ago. Wallace Rodgers, pioneer Indian fighter and Civil war veteran, died Friday morning. He leaves a wife in this city.

Boiled Egg Leads to Divorce

Oregon City, Jan. 24—Mrs. Mary Gestra, of R. Daniels, Saturday filed for divorce from Ambrose Gestra. She had him arrested for assault, but declined to prosecute. Gestra became angry because his wife put a boiled egg on their daughter's lunch, because the price of eggs was too high to permit such a luxury. They were married at Portland May 4, 1903, and have three children. Their farm will be divided.

Civil War Veteran is Dead

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 24—Armstrong Kelley, a veteran of the Civil war, died yesterday in Coosport, aged 79 years. He was a member of a Pennsylvania regiment, and was in some famous battles. He was captured by the Confederates and spent five months in Andersonville. He lived here for many years on a farm.

Oregon Pioneer of 1854 Is Dead in California.

Klamath Falls, Or., Jan. 25—Alex Martin, a pioneer, who died last night at Oakland, was 81 years old and came to the Jacksonville gold diggings in 1854. He engaged in blacksmithing and later in merchandising with a pioneer firm. He was agent for the old Portland-Sacramento overland stage line until the railroad retired this concern. During the Modoc war he transported supplies for the troops from the end of the railway in the Umpqua valley to the lava beds. He engaged in merchandising in a Klamath county town in 1881, running the town's only store. The store retired from business in 1900, after which Martin with a son Alex Jr., now of Eugene, and E. R. Rames organized the Klamath County bank, the first bank in this section. This was later merged with the First National, of which Mr. Martin has since been president. Interment will be at Oakland Thursday.

Wind Again Blows in Seaside Show Windows.

Seaside, Or., Jan. 24—The storm which raged here for two days subsided yesterday afternoon. The gale was the worst one of the season and reached a height of 80 miles an hour Saturday morning. The greatest damage done was the shattering of windows in the corner of the Gilbert block, blown in for the second time this winter. The railing of Broadway bridge was blown down also for the second time this season. A small wooden building on Seventh street, used as an office by a fuel firm, was blown over on its side. No one was hurt.

Cider With Kick in It Causes Trouble at A Dance.

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 25—Sheriff Johnson has seized samples of cider in four Coquille places and sent them to J. Lee Brown, secretary of the State Prohibition association, for analysis. C. A. Mechon was yesterday charged in the circuit court with selling cider with a kick in it. The sheriff says he found 20 men drunk at a dance, who said they had been drinking hard cider.

Guilty of Two Holdups.

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 25—Bert Jennings, charged with two holdups in North Ben, was found guilty late yesterday, as was also Fred Halsey, charged with stealing liquor from a Marshfield saloon. They will be sentenced Monday.

Junction City Youth Sent to Jail

Junction City, Or., Jan. 25—Arthur Le Toller, arrested Friday for taking liquor to a dance in this place, was sent to jail when he was unable to pay his fine of \$100. His brother, Emer Le Toller, found guilty at the last term of the circuit court, is now serving his fine of \$250.

Farmers Union Plans Elevators

Condon, Or., Jan. 24—The Farmers' union of Gilliam county has decided to erect two grain elevators in the county, one at Condon and the other at Black. Plans are being drawn for the buildings and cost estimates will be prepared immediately.

Big Cougar Steals Pigs

Monmouth, Or., Jan. 24—A cougar invaded the farm of Frank Crawford near Zena recently and carried off nine pigs. The tracks show the animal to be of unusual proportions. A hunting party went out, but the animal has not been found as yet.

Governor's Son to Wed Jan. 25.

Salem, Or., Jan. 24 Governor Withycombe left yesterday afternoon to attend the wedding of his son, Robert Withycombe, and the daughter of W. R. Hutchinson, president of the Union National bank. The governor's son is head of the O. A. C. experiment station at Union. The wedding will be held tomorrow.

Pioneer of 1855 Died Here Today

Portland, Jan. 24—Mrs. A. E. Bills, a pioneer of 1855, died today at her residence at Sixteenth and Flavel streets. She was in her 87th year. The husband of Mrs. Bills, the late Cincinnati Bills, was the first man in Portland to engage in the grain business.

LOOK, LISTEN AND STOP

Better Wait at Crossing Than in a Doctor's Office.

"Please read this appeal—it may save your life" says the Southern Pacific Company in a circular addressed to motor vehicle drivers urging them to be more careful at railroad crossings. The circulars are being posted in every garage in the Company's territory and read as follows:—

"Every year brings an increase in motor vehicle accidents at railroad grade crossings. Grade crossings are unavoidable. They are one of the inconveniences of progress, to be eliminated just as rapidly as practicable. The railroads are doing their best, but it takes time and a great deal of money.

"No matter what safeguards we throw about our grade crossings, our labor is in vain without your help. All signs, bells, whistles, gates and flags are helpless before an automobile driver's recklessness.

"For the purpose of observing the care exercised by drivers of motor vehicles, this Company placed men at a large number of grade crossings on this line. Their observations were startling! Of 33,500 drivers fifty-three per cent looked neither way before crossing railroad track! Eight per cent looked one way only, and but 174 drivers, or fifty-two one-hundredths of one percent, actually stopped their machines before crossing.

"From these actual observations it is apparent that men of undoubted intelligence choose to risk life and limb rather than wait a few minutes to let a train pass.

"Because you once took a chance at a grade crossing and ran your automobile safely in front of an approaching train, do not trust to look that you can do it again.

"Trains must run on tracks and on time. Their operators have no choice of routes. But the automobilists can choose and regulate his rate of speed.

"If drivers of motor vehicles would always associate the right of a grade crossing with the instant application of their motors' brakes, accidents to automobilists at grade crossings would soon be scarce. May we urge that you let the sight of a grade crossing sign instantly convey to you the warning to slow down or stop? It is a habit so easily acquired as your obedience to the traffic policeman's unraised hand.

"On the formation of this habit your life and those of your loved ones may some day depend. It is better to wait at a Grade Crossing than in a Doctor's Office."

LINER PERSIA SUNK BY TURKS, SAYS REPORT

Unofficial Dispatches Indicate Turkey May Acknowledge Ship's Destruction.

Washington, Jan. 24—Unofficial dispatches from abroad indicating that Turkey might acknowledge that one of her submarines sank the British liner Persia promise to revive the diplomatic features of that disaster.

State department officials had no dispatches on the subject today from Ambassador Morgenthau. Neither had they received any official word from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna transmitting Austria's official disavowal of any connection with the disaster, reported unofficially last week.

Until the intimation came that Turkey might assume responsibility, it was generally assumed in official quarters that the cause of the sinking of the liner would remain unknown.

\$50 Fine Exactd From North Yakima Drunks.

North Yakima, Wash., Jan. 24—Fifty dollars is the price those found drunk in North Yakima must pay to the city. This was fixed by Judge Milroy when the first offender this year came before him Saturday, and he requested the police to require \$50 cash bail from any one arrested for drunkenness who might want to be released. Up to Saturday night twenty-five permits to import liquor had been issued by the county auditor.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

Oregon rose petals wanted in east for manufacture of perfume and sachets. War has cut off European supply.

Astoria plans filling in Commercial St. at cost of \$33,000. Board of Regents of U. of O. vote \$40,000 for new building.

Baker is disposing of \$75,000 worth of additional water bonds for extensions.

Los Angeles film makers have become interested in the campaign to locate some of them in Oregon. One company figuring has a payroll of from \$2,000 to \$25,000 a week. Too much regulation and legislation is forcing them out of California.

Lincoln Co. plans new road around Pioneer Mountain.

La Grande sub-station of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power Co. was destroyed by fire.

Springfield—Booth Kelley Lumber Co. is making extensive improvements.

New lumber companies are filing articles of incorporation in Oregon almost daily.

Portland—Emerson Harwood Co. will rebuild after \$80,000 fire.

Roseburg—Brushy Butte Copper mine may be developed.

Geo. W. Moore says that Bandon sawmill will soon operate.

Ashland—Hotel Oregon to be made modern tourist hotel.

Florence—Porter mill starts on 10-hour day.

\$625,000 beet sugar factory to be built in or near Grants Pass.

Plans are on foot to get a branch line of railroad from Cushman to Florence and a double bridge across North Fork suitable for teams and trains.

Lumber camps on the Columbia river continue to open.

St. Helens ship yard gets contracts to build five vessels mostly lumber carriers.

Commezial transcontinental telephone service to New York City and intermediate cities has been inaugurated by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. at Portland.

Albany is to have a chiropractic sanitarium.

Astoria soon to make solid fills on 9th & 10th Sts.

Wasco county has awarded contract for construction of Tygh grade and White River grade roads, cost \$21,890.

Astoria is building scenic highway to summit Coxcomb Hill.

A crab station is being established at Astoria for shipment of crabs to various parts of the United States.

Railway earnings for December show increase of 18.7 per cent over last year. Prosperous railroads are the surest indication of returning good times.

Estacada—Homer Bros. expects to manufacture wooden silos.

Albany has new department store worth \$10,000 stock.

State press paying more attention to business and industries—less to politics.

Garner plans to build a public dock. Coquille Valley Telephone Co. plans to sell to Coos and Curry Telephone company.

Astoria will have an \$85,000 clay manufacturing industry.

Wasco county once had 130,000 square miles, nearly four times the size of England and Wales.

At the Narrows, Celilo Rapids, the Columbia river is only 150 ft. wide. This is the proposed site of the greatest power plant in the U. S.

It takes all kinds of people to make a world, including the ones who think they can beat a slot machine.

Advance In Light Rates Heard

Clatskanie, Or., Jan. 25—Members of the public service commission are here today to review the case of the Clatskanie Light & Power Company. The latter having petitioned the commission to allow an increase of rate for light. The company wants increase from 19 to 12 cents a kilowatt hour, the charge for residences, and from 9 to 11 cents for business places. Many object to the advance.

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