REBELS IN MEXICO ARE LOOKING AHEAD

March Through the "Enemy's Country" Different Problem From Those in Past.

DESERTS OFFER BARRIER

Army Must Cross Region to Which Water Needs Be Carried for 100 Miles—Villa Says He Intends to Fight Way.

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, Jan. 25.—What will be the immediate fortunes of General Francisco Villa's army of 15,000 or more rebels when they pass south of Torreon into the central states of Mexico received serious consideration today by the rebel leaders. That the rebels will take Torreon they have every confidence, although General Refugio Velasco, the federal commander at that point, is believed to be acting on orders from Mexico City to check the revolution there if possible. What will happen after the defeat of the Torreon federal garrison, should it be defeated, is not so clearly defined in the mind of General Villa.

Heretofore the activities of General Villa's army have been confined chiefly to the border states which were regarded as rebel territory and the rebel victories have been achieved against federal garrisons which were cut off from communication and from bases of supplies. Unlimited supplies of cattle also were at the service of the rebels in the North.

Different Situation Met.

Southward the conditions are somewhat changed. Important cities, such as Zacatecas, Aguas Calientes and San Luis Potosi, have federal garrisons which are supplied both with rations and ammunition direct from Mexico City. Moreover, communication and railroad facilities for the shifting of the federal troops are available. The federal strongholds thus are more closely knit and can reinforce each other more readily than they could in the North.

Another consideration before General Villa concerns the possible attitude of the people in the central states toward an invading rebel army. In the North General Villa has had little difficulty in rallying the non-combatants to his side. In the central states and cities, where the federals have dominated and where the rebels will have to find sources of food, the attitude of the non-combatants remains to be shown. South of Torreon are great deserts, to which water will have to be carried, in some instances for a hundred miles. These are also devoid of cattle.

Two Routes Converge.

The railroad systems and the natural routes which the rebels would have to follow in an invasion of the central and southern states form a triangle. Torreon, 525 miles south of the United States border, with a population of 25,000, forms the northwest angle of the triangle. Saltillo and Monterey are on the northeast angle, while the two routes southward, running through important cities, converge at Mexico City. Two rebel armies thus might start, one each from Torreon and Saltillo, and while marching southward be separated by about 200 miles until they reach the vicinity of Mexico City.

The route directly south from Torreon, and along which General Villa proposes to lead the bulk of his army toward the capital of the republic, runs through Zacatecas and Aguas Calientes. The route south of Saltillo runs through San Luis Potosi. This will be left to local rebel bands.

"Whatever the obstacles, we intend to fight our way to Mexico City unless the usurper Huerta is driven out before we get there," said General Villa.

CARRANZA PROMISES PEACE

General Replies to Messages Believed Inspired by Huerta.

CULIACAN, Sinaloa, Mex., Jan. 24.—(Via Nogales, Ariz., Jan. 25.)—"At the triumph of the cause of the constitutionalist order which we represent, peace will be established in my country."

With this brief statement through the medium of Associated Press, General Venustiano Carranza today replied to a flood of messages from peace societies in Europe, who asked for peace in Mexico.

All of these messages, which were received during the last two days, asked for general peace in Mexico and each contained the Spanish word for peace. They were sent by societies in England, Russia, Belgium, Portugal, Switzerland, Holland and Spain.

This simultaneous action gave rise to much speculation among General Carranza's advisers and the opinion was expressed freely that it had been brought about by some action of the Huerta government at Mexico City through the agents in Europe.

The press alone was used in answering the communications from peace societies. General Carranza personally answered several messages from prominent Spanish publicists and politicians. All of his answers to the Spanish inquiries contained some reference to the Mexico City uprising of February, 1913, in which President Madero was killed. It was pointed out that the Spanish residents of Mexico had been barred in some districts from assisting in the Huerta movement.

The system of giving company currency, good only for merchandise at company stores, as a method of paying laborers, is being investigated by the constitutionalist chief during his stay in Sinaloa. The system is said to have flourished under the Diaz regime and to have constituted practical peonage. Carranza, it is said, already has taken a firm stand against it, and warned all employers that they must pay their workmen in state currency issued by the insurgent government.

POLICY CRITICISED IN PARIS

Ex-Cabinet Minister Says America Conceals Financial Scandal.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—Severe criticism of the American policy toward Mexico was the feature of addresses Saturday by Paul Raynaud, a leading lawyer, and by Andre Lebon, ex-French Minister for the Colonies, at the monthly luncheon of the Association of French Manufacturers and Merchants.

"The American policy," said M. Reynaud, "conceals under a Puritanic exterior a financial scandal. The public opinion of the world must compel the United States to establish peace in Mexico by supporting General Huerta or his successor and not allowing the revolution in Mexico to be financed by interests in the United States to the ruin of Mexico and the foreign interests there."

FIRST PHOTOGRAPH OF BABY WHOSE WEALTHY FATHER DIED IN TITANIC DISASTER.

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JOHN JACOB ASTOR.

ASTOR BABY RUGGED

Young John Jacob Spends Much Time in Open Air.

SIMPLE LIFE IS ENFORCED

Secret of Exceptional Development Believed by Friends of Family to Be Outdoor Life, Exercise and Plain Food.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—A friend of Mrs. John Jacob Astor, commenting today on the remarkable development of the 17-months-old Astor baby, declared that the secret lay in three things—plenty of air, plenty of exercise and plain food, but not too much of it.

This baby, the sixth member of the Astor family to bear the name John Jacob, much resembles his mother, but his chin and mouth are like those of his father, the late Colonel John Jacob Astor, who went with the Titanic in April, 1912.

Young John Jacob spends most of his days on the balcony outside the nursery of the Astor house at 850 Fifth avenue. He sleeps in the open. He walks all over the place, and talks and carries on the livelong day. He is king supreme of the Astor household.

Mrs. Astor insists on the simple life for her son, to whom she devotes the major portion of her time. His diet, unlike that of some of the babies of the rich, is extremely simple, and care is taken that he does not overeat. He is considered a remarkable baby for his age—remarkable in strength, size and general development.

WEATHER IS ASSORTED

MIXED WINTER IS FORECAST FOR WEEK IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

Disturbance on North Pacific Coast Expected to Move Eastward, Followed by More Cold.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—A varied assortment of Winter weather for the different sections of the country was forecast in the Weather Bureau today. The coming week will open with generally unsettled weather except in the Northeast, the central Rocky Mountain region and the extreme Southwest, the bulletin says. There will be a moderate cold wave in New England and the middle Atlantic states.

A disturbance now over the plains states will move eastward, attended by general snows over the northern, snows and rains over the central and rains over the southern districts from the Missouri and Mississippi valleys eastward, and by higher temperatures generally reaching the Atlantic Coast Monday night or Tuesday.

Another marked disturbance now on the North Pacific Coast will cause a continuance of the rains and snows west of the Rockies and their extension eastward, probably reaching the Rockies Tuesday, the plains states Tuesday night or Wednesday, the central valley and the lake region Wednesday and Thursday, and the Eastern states by Friday.

It will be followed by clearing weather and more Winter temperatures beginning by Tuesday over the Far West, by Thursday over the central portion of the country, and by the close of the week over the East.

5 SCHOOL CLUBS FORMED

Industrial Education Takes Hold of Pupils in Plainview.

CRESWELL, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—A school standardization rally that was turned into a meeting for the organization of boys' and girls' industrial clubs was held Saturday at the Plainview School, just over the Lane-Linn boundary from Coburg, according to L. P. Harrington, field agent of the state department of education, who is passing Sunday at home here, after a week in the field in the interests of industrial education in the schools.

In all five clubs were organized, and they are the first to be formed in Linn County. Mr. Harrington reports also the formation of two clubs in the schools of Junction City, as well as the one formed here earlier in the week. He finds that the pupils of the public schools are taking a great amount of interest in the industrial projects outlined by the State School Superintendent, the extension department of the Agricultural College and the United States Department of Agriculture.

W. L. Jackson, School Superintendent of Linn County, was present at the Plainview rally, which was attended by pupils and patrons of nearly a dozen contiguous school districts. As a part of the rally programme there was an address by Dr. James Gilbert, of the University of Oregon, and remarks by Superintendent Jackson, P. E. Baker and by Mr. Harrington, who explained the industrial contest projects.

JAPAN IS IN HARMONY

ASSURANCE GIVEN OF CONFIDENCE IN UNITED STATES.

Supplementary Declaration Made to Remove Impressions Possibly Made by Previous Intimations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Baron Makino, Japanese Foreign Minister, made a supplementary statement to the Japanese Parliament regarding California land legislation intended to show that, according to the Japanese understanding, there is perfect harmony of purpose between the United States and Japan. According to a transcript of his remarks made public by the Japanese Embassy here yesterday, the Minister said:

"I believe that the American Government is aware of the wishes which form the demand of the Japanese government and that toward the accomplishment of the object the American Government is constantly taking measures of investigation by the most just methods."

The statement was made by Baron Makino in answer to a formal interpellation moved by a member of the Government party, apparently framed to dissipate impressions possibly created by previous intimations that Japan resented the failure of the United States to reply to the last note in regard to the California situation.

BODIES SOUGHT IN RUINS

One Killed, Several Injured by Explosion in Chicago Factory.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—One man was killed and several were injured today in an explosion which wrecked the plant of the Garrett Gocart Company. Firemen dug all night in the ruins, where they think other bodies may be found.

At the time of the explosion there were only three employes known to have been in the section of the building where the damage was most severe.

The explosion probably was caused by escaping gas in a baking room.

POSTAL WORKERS INSURED

Record Postoffice Appropriation Carries Industrial Insurance.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Postoffice appropriation bill, carrying a record-breaking total of $305,000,000, was passed Saturday by the House.

It includes an amendment which extends to postoffice clerks, letter-carriers, rural free delivery carriers, mounted letter-carriers and postoffice messengers, for injuries received on duty, full salary for one year after injury, with an additional half salary for another year if necessary, and $2000 lump sum payment in case of death.

Golden Wedding to Be Observed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Johnson, who live east of Vancouver Barracks, will have been married half a century tomorrow and there will be a golden wedding celebration at their home. Rev. F. A. Ross, Christian minister, will again recite the marriage service for the couple and all of their children will be present. The day will be appropriately celebrated and the 50th anniversary wedding dinner served.

ALASKA COAL TEST IS DEEMED UNFAIR

Bering River Samples Said to Have Been Gathered at Surface of Ground.

QUALITY GOOD IN THEORY

Senator Chamberlain and Others Urge New Trial—Fuel Is Important, However, Even if Rejected by Navy.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 25.—Notwithstanding the failure of Bering River coal to meet naval requirements during the recent test aboard the cruiser Maryland, the contention is made by Senator Chamberlain and others that when a fair test is given the Bering River coal it will meet all the requirements of the Navy.

This subject was discussed at some length during the debate in the Senate on the Alaska railroad bill, and when the result of the Navy's test was mentioned Senator Chamberlain, Senator Poindexter and others raised the question as to the fairness of the test made last Fall. They were able to show that the coal tested aboard the Maryland was picked from the surface of the ground, where it had lain exposed to the elements for years. By reason of its exposure, it is said, the coal became slacked and lost part of its efficiency.

Coal Theoretically Superior.

When the Bering River coal bed is opened up and coal from a depth is brought to the surface, Senator Chamberlain believes it will give results in a Navy test as good as those of the Pocahontas coal, for chemical analysis shows the Bering River coal to be superior to the Pocahontas, and, theoretically, at least, it should be more efficient. Even if the Bering River coal fails eventually to meet the Navy requirements, the coal from the Matanuska field is yet to be tested, and in advance of actual trial on board a warship no one is able to speak authoritatively as to its fitness for Governmental use.

There is a decided lack of information in Congress as to just how the Bering River coal was secured for the naval test. The report of the department does not show anything about that, but the coal was supposed to have been mined under direction of the Bureau of Mines, and the supposition was that the Bureau would get out coal that had not been slacked by exposure to the elements. Senator Poindexter informed the Senate that he had received advices from a member of the party that got out the Bering River coal that no pains were taken to get coal from a depth, but that the entire 900 tons was scraped up off the surface, and slack, shale and dirt were shipped with the coal.

Pacific Fleet Using 160,000 Tons.

In discussing the value of Alaska coal to the Navy, Senator Chamberlain pointed out that the American fleet on the Pacific is using about 160,000 tons of West Virginia coal a year. This coal is placed aboard colliers at Norfolk or Baltimore at $3 a ton, but laid down on the Navy dock at San Francisco it costs the Government from $7.50 to $8.25 a ton, delivered in foreign bottoms, and costs $2 a ton more if shipped in American bottoms. Therefore most of it is shipped in foreign bottoms.

Senator Chamberlain quoted from records to show that it costs about $2.50 a ton to mine coal in Alaska and $2 a ton freight to San Francisco. On this basis the Government could save $4.50 to $5 on every ton delivered at San Francisco for naval use, provided subsequent tests show the Bering River coal to be suitable for naval use.

Senator Chamberlain showed that the United States is buying coal from Japan for storage in Pearl Harbor and the Philippines. He maintained that the cost of transporting coal from the Atlantic ports to San Francisco and from Japan to Hawaii and the Philippines was far more than enough to pay interest on the investment necessary to build a railroad from the Bering River and Matanuska fields to the open ports in Southeastern Alaska.

Senator Chamberlain maintains, as do others, that even if the Alaska coal on final test fails to meet the requirements of the Navy, it is still a suitable coal for use in Alaska and in the Western states on the Pacific Coast, and that every proper step should be taken to bring about the development of that coal so that it may be put to the best use to which it actually is adapted.

MAY IRWIN ILL IN CITY

Popular Actress Is Unable to Give Final Performance Here.

Because of the illness of May Irwin, star of "Widow by Proxy," that show was not given at the Heilig last night as billed. Miss Irwin contracted an attack of acute neuritis during her Coast tour. She caught cold while her train was stalled out of Dunsmuir, following the Shasta Limited, which was held up by the flood, last Thursday night. She attributes her illness to the 12-hour wait in a cold sleeper, and the climatic changes she has since endured. On every evening of her performance at the Heilig the star has been suffering greatly and could hardly get through some of her scenes. A physician has been in attendance on the stage.

Saturday night she fainted twice from the pain and yesterday her physician, Dr. Whiting, ordered her to give up work for one week. Her engagements for one week have been cancelled and it is anticipated that she will be well enough to open her Seattle engagement after that time. The neuritis has affected Miss Irwin's right arm and shoulder. She is at her apartments in the Benson.

GHOST IN THIRD DEGREES

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their examination of Mrs. Grondin's vital organs, saying they had found poison in them. Grondin's arrest followed. He will be arraigned tomorrow, when the time for him to plead to the charge of murder will be fixed.

Mrs. Grondin was the daughter of George Daviau, a druggist of Waterville, where she was married to Grondin when he was 21 years old. Mr. Daviau engaged attorneys and detectives shortly after his daughter's death to make an investigation. He also was said to have furnished the authorities here with information concerning Grondin's attempt to kill his wife in Portland, Me., last year.

Banks Would Enter Reserve.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 25.—The following banks today applied for membership in the Federal reserve system: Oregon—First National, Klamath Falls. Washington—First National, Chowelah; First National, Tonasket.

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Or Regret Later On. This Is the Last Week of Our

January Sale

Immediate thoughtfulness and action on your part will mean distinct economy. Men and young men's wear of the highest fashion and quality are offered at prices consistent with reason. Replenish your wardrobe for the coming year.

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$20.00 Suits are now priced at..... $15.00
$25.00 Suits are now priced at..... $18.75
$30.00 Suits are now priced at..... $22.50
$35.00 Suits are now priced at..... $26.25

The Overcoats and Raincoats

$20 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $15.00
$25 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $18.75
$30 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $22.50
$35 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $26.25
$40 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $30.00
$50 Overcoats and Raincoats at..... $37.50

Shirts--Final January Sale Prices

All $1.50 Fancy Shirts, plain or pleated, at the Final Price..... $1.15
Odds and Ends in $1.50 Shirts now at the Final Price of..... 95c

Men's Underwear --All Union and Two-Piece Suits
--With the Exception of Jaeger and Deimel Garments

$1.00 Underwear now on sale at..... 80c
$1.25 Underwear now on sale at..... $1.05
$1.50 Underwear now on sale at..... $1.15
$2.00 Underwear now on sale at..... $1.60
$2.50 Underwear now on sale at..... $2.00
$3.00 Underwear now on sale at..... $2.40
$3.50 Underwear now on sale at..... $2.80
$4.00 Underwear now on sale at..... $3.20
$5.00 Underwear now on sale at..... $4.00
$6.00 Underwear now on sale at..... $4.80

Men's Pajamas and Night Gowns

$1.50 Garments now on sale at..... $1.15
$2.00 Garments now on sale at..... $1.35
$2.50 Garments now on sale at..... $1.75
$3.00 Garments now on sale at..... $2.05
$3.50 Garments now on sale at..... $2.55

HATS--The Imported Austrian Velours Are Priced Much Lower Than Usual

$5, $6 and $7 Austrian Velours..... $4.15
$7.50, $8 and $9 Austrian Velours..... $5.65

Buffum & Pendleton

MORRISON STREET OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE

OLIVE BRANCH OUT

John E. Redmond Wants Good Will of Men of Ulster.

LEADER AT WATERFORD

"No Lengths Short of Abandonment of Principles" Would Deter Him, but Opponents' Receptiveness Is Doubted.

WATERFORD, Ireland, Jan. 25.—"Every sane man knows that, bar accidents, the Home Rule bill will be the law of the land this year," John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, asserted before an immense gathering here today. "If any change is made in the Home Rule bill," Mr. Redmond continued, "it will only be to buy the good will of our opponents, but I say frankly that I see no prospects of their good will being purchased at any price. That good will is worth purchasing at a big price, but any change in the bill should be consistent with the unity of Ireland. There are no lengths short of abandonment of the principles you and I hold to which I would not go to win the confidence of the men of Ulster."

Referring to William O'Brien's resignation from his seat in Cork, Mr. Redmond asked his supporters to refrain from contesting the seat, declaring a fight between two professed Nationalists at the present moment would be a scandal and an injury to the cause.

Mr. O'Brien resigned his seat in Parliament a week ago in answer to a challenge issued by Augustine Roche, member of Parliament for North Louth, to test the strength of his following. He asserted his readiness to meet any member of the Irish party, from John Redmond down, as the opposing candidate, to decide whether the home rule bill as it now stands is acceptable to the Irish people.

SALEM IS SEEKING SLOGAN

Commercial Club to Give Prize for Most Catchy Phrase.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—In order to obtain the best slogan of any city in the United States the Commercial Club has offered a prize for the best suggestion. The phrase must be of a boosting nature, and mere titles, such as "The Cherry City," will not be considered. It should not contain more than five words and should have a swing to it, if possible.

"What we want is a 'catchy' phrase," said Fred S. Bynon, secretary of the club, today. "For instance, Allentown, Pa., has a good phrase in, 'Dwell here, and prosper.' 'Share Jackson's opportunities' is the boosting phrase of Jackson, Miss. Syracuse, N. Y., has a good slogan. It is, 'Syracuse spells success.' Parkersburg, Va., has a dandy slogan in 'Parkersburg—biggest little city on earth.' 'You will do better in Toledo' is the fine slogan of the Ohio town.

"Something like these is what we are seeking, and I do not think there is any doubt that our people are versatile enough to supply the want."

MINE BURNS; TWO MISSING

No Trace Found of Austrians Trapped in Utah Workings.

BINGHAM, Utah, Jan. 25.—Although bulkheads erected in the Boston mine of the Utah Copper Company shut off part of the workings from smoke and gas today, searching parties up to a late hour today failed to find trace of the two Austrian miners who were trapped by the first fire last Wednesday. In the tunnels where the fumes had thinned crews pursued the search without using oxygen helmets.

Efforts to get water on the burning timbers in the upper part of the shaft, where the fire originated, have failed.

MARION TAX HIGHEST EVER

Total for County $996,807; Salem Will Pay $188,957.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—More money will be paid into the Marion County treasury as taxes this year than ever before in the history of the county, according to County Assessor West, the total amount being $996,807.44. While the levy here is high, it is exceeded in others, notably Clackamas and Clatsop. Salem will pay $188,957.94, and Woodburn, the next city in size, will pay $11,209.96. Silverton will pay $10,630.59. The county valuation is $43,629,958.

Laws for Unions to Be Enforced.

WASHOUGAL, Wash., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Mayor F. C. Price, who took office last week, has given notice to the billiard and pool hall proprietors that the ordinance prohibiting minors from entering their places will be strictly enforced. With the recent passage of a curfew law it is the purpose of the new city officials to see that the young men of the town are kept from temptations.

Professor Addresses Grange.

FAIRVIEW, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Professor A. R. Sweetser, of the department of botany of the University of Oregon, lectured last night under the auspices of the Fairview Grange in the City Hall. His subject, "Some Microscopic Friends and Foes," was illustrated with stereopticon views.

DAIRY FARMERS UNITE

LANE COUNTY ASSOCIATION WILL PROMOTE INDUSTRY.

Ranchers and Business Men Meet in Eugene and Organize for Improved Conditions.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Two important steps in the development of the dairying industry in Lane County were taken yesterday afternoon at a meeting attended by 100 dairymen and others interested in the promotion of the dairying industry. The meeting was held in the rooms of the Eugene Commercial Club and was the outgrowth of the observation and experience of J. W. Pixley, a country solicitor for the Morning Register.

The first action taken was the organization of the Lane County Dairyman's Association, through the election of E. A. Bond as president and Chris Myhre, who is president of the Oregon Butter and Cheese Makers' Association, as secretary. The purpose of this organization is to promote the dairying industry through the dissemination of information needful to the dairyman and through the building up of profitable dairy herds by means of weeding out the non-paying cows. The formation of a cow testing association was suggested by J. George Johnson, master of the Lane County Pomona Grange.

The other important matter taken up was the appointment of a committee to work out details of a plan for the providing of cows of high standard to dairymen on easy terms. To carry this through, the following committee was named, the first four being bankers: L. L. Goodrich, C. D. Rorer, Alex Martin, F. N. McAlister, F. L. Kent, J. A. Youngreen, Chris Myhre, C. N. Bertlesen, J. S. Magladry and J. W. Pixley. This committee will make its report to a subsequent meeting, probably early in February.

Mr. Pixley, who was a farmer before he went into the newspaper business, declared there should be 1000 more cows in Lane County, that there was the forage foods here for them, and the market for the milk and butter. Other speakers were M. J. Duryea, who presided; Frank Jenkins, editor of the Morning Register, and C. D. Rorer.

Parent-Teachers to Be Hosts.

A "Made-In-Oregon" banquet is to be given in the Arleta Baptist Church at 7 o'clock Tuesday night by the Parent-Teachers and Mental Culture clubs. All manufacturers, their friends and representatives of the press are invited by these organizations to attend the banquet.

New England Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Massachusetts life insurance companies are governed by the highest type of state supervision. For more than 50 years Massachusetts has maintained an Insurance Department for the express purpose of guarding the interests of policy-holders, and it is a recognized fact that the laws of Massachusetts governing the conduct of life insurance companies are more in the interests of policy-holders than those of any other state in the Union.

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