

SITUATION CRITICAL IN CITY OF MEXICO

British Charge Says 25,000 Zapatistas Ready to Oppose Entry of Gonzales.

CARRANZA IS REINFORCING

Defenders Are Poorly Equipped and Fighting in Capital Is Expected to Endanger Foreigners—Food Is Needed by Thousands.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Official dispatches sent by the British charge d'affaires at Mexico City by courier to Vera Cruz and from there cabled to the State Department today pictured conditions in the Mexican capital as extremely critical.

The Zapatistas, holding the city with a force estimated at nearly 25,000 men, were reported by the courier to have repulsed last Wednesday an attacking Carranza army under General Pablo Gonzalez, while General Carranza was dispatching all rolling stock and available men in an attempt to reinforce Gonzalez and continue the assault.

The situation on the west coast of Mexico is improving. Carranza today sent by wireless to the Navy Department a message saying there was no truth whatever in reports that he had landed marines. He said relations between Navy officials and leaders of all factions on the west coast were friendly.

Communications Still Cut. The situation was described in the following announcement tonight from the State Department:

"Conditions in Mexico City are not reassuring, according to reports. Communications are still interrupted. General Carranza is rushing all available men to reinforce his troops in the vicinity of Mexico City. It is said to be the intention of General Carranza to send in provisions with his army, although there is nothing definite in regard to this report.

"A courier sent by the British charge d'affaires arrived in Vera Cruz on the morning of the 27th, having left Vera Cruz on the 25th. The department also says that it is said that the Zapatistas have cut the cable.

"Various press reports agree, according to this dispatch to the department from Vera Cruz, under date of June 27, that the Zapatistas have a force estimated at 25,000 troops to contest the entry of the Carranza forces. Most of these Zapatistas are outside the city in front of the positions occupied by General Gonzalez.

Zapatistas Poorly Equipped. "It is reported that the troops of General Gonzalez have been defeated in the northern suburbs, losing munitions and military supplies. Other reports say that the Zapatistas are poorly equipped and provisioned. Business in Mexico City is said to be suspended. The food shortage is causing concern.

"The department is in receipt of advice, dated June 28, from Vera Cruz, saying that transportation for Red Cross Representative O'Connor and Consul-General Shanklin has been arranged to the headquarters of General Gonzalez. Consul-General Shanklin and Mr. O'Connor expect to leave June 29 and will take with them the hospital supplies furnished by the Red Cross.

"Thousands of people in Mexico City are depending on the supplies of the international relief committee, which itself is threatened with a shortage of provisions. Fears are entertained in the city that aside from the famine, the reinforcements sent to General Gonzalez will cause him to carry the fighting into the capital, endangering the lives of foreigners and their property."

Wilson Advised of Situation. State Department officials have taken no action on the situation as yet, but its details have been transmitted to President Wilson at Cornish, N. H. Officials are in contact with the Brazilian Minister and other members of the diplomatic corps to remove foreigners from the danger zone or arrange for their evacuation in case the fighting is carried into the city.

GERMANS TURN TO VERDUN

Attack on Fortified Town Is Not Expected to Succeed.

PARIS, June 28.—The Germans, in fighting furiously at Ragatelle and in the trenches at Verdun, are expected to approach the strongly fortified town of Verdun, according to Lieutenant-Colonel Bousset, military critic of the Petit Parisien.

He believes they are seeking to gain control of the railroad from Chalons to Sainte-Menehould. While they are aiming at Verdun from two directions, the critic believes the efforts of their army will prove futile.

ZEPPELIN HANGAR SHELLED

French Aeroplane in Flight Home Lands on Swiss Soil.

PARIS, June 28.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight:

"On the morning of June 27 one of our aeroplanes succeeded in dropping with success eight shells on the Zeppelin hangars at Friedrichshafen. Motor trouble obliged him to make a landing during his return. He succeeded in reaching Swiss territory at Rheinfelden."

SENATOR JONES IS GUEST

North Yakima Gives Smoker as Testimonial of Appreciation.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—The guest of Senator Jones was the guest of honor at a smoker given by the North Yakima Commercial Club tonight as a testimonial of the club's appreciation of his work for the community. Addresses were made by Senator Jones and several others.

DISTRICT CENTER ASKED

Laurelhurst Seeks Swimming Pool and Playgrounds.

At the luncheon of the East Side Business Men's Club yesterday at Hotel Edwards, Fred A. Bailey, M. R. McPaul, L. M. Lepper, August Rosen and T. J. Howe were appointed to start a campaign for a community center

PERTA SAYS HE IS PREPARED TO LEAVE

Rival Factions Keep Close Watch on Each Other at El Paso.

MANY CROSSING BORDER

Deposed President of Mexico Refuses to Talk of Politics of His Country, but Denies That He Offered to Aid Iturbide.

BOYHOOD CHUM IS MET

W. L. PARK, OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL, GREETED W. J. CUDDY.

Vice-President of Eastern Railroad, in Company of Wife, Spends Day in Portland En Route North.

W. L. Park, vice-president of the Illinois Central Railroad, arrived in Portland yesterday in company with

his wife, Mrs. W. L. Park, and a young son, W. J. Cuddy.

They arrived in Portland on the morning of the 28th, after a day's journey from Seattle.

Mr. Park is on his way to Alaska, and will leave today for Seattle and will sail later in the week.

Vice-President Park found an old friend of his school days here in the person of W. J. Cuddy, editor of the Weekly Oregonian. He spent some time with him recalling old associations. They were boys together years ago in North Platte, Neb.

Don Park, until a few years ago, was general superintendent of the Union Pacific, where he formed a close friendship with J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the O. W. & N. Company. Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien entertained Mr. and Mrs. Park at lunch yesterday, and later conducted them on a sightseeing tour of the city and its environs.

For the last five years Mr. Park has been in charge of operations for the Illinois Central. He reports that earnings on his road have not suffered on account of the war and the general depression, but points proudly to the monthly reports showing some increase. The Illinois Central is in position to profit materially from the Panama Canal, as it has a direct line from Chicago and the Middle West to New Orleans, where shipments to and from the Pacific Coast can be transhipped.

Mr. Park is typical of the present-day railroad official. He has advanced to his present high position from the bottom. He began his career as a brakeman.

PATRICK KEEGAN IS DEAD

Former Champion Oarsman of Pacific Coast Passes at 55.

PATRICK O'NEIL Keegan, former champion oarsman of the Pacific Coast, died at the home of his mother at 413 Couch street, Sunday. The funeral will be held from St. Mary's Pro-cathedral tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, with burial at Mount Calvary cemetery.

Keegan was 55 years old and had been connected with the firm of Brown & McCabe, stevedores, for 23 years. He came to Portland in 1877 and served as policeman for five years under Chief Lappeus.

Patrick Keegan was famous in athletic events. He was a member of the champion four-oar crew of the Ariel Club at the San Francisco races. He leaves an aged mother.

SELECTION KEPT SECRET

Hood River Learns Senators Have Decided on Postmaster.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—Mayor Dumler today received the announcement that Senator Chamberlain and Senator Lane have recommended an appointee for the Hood River postmastership to succeed J. P. Lucas, whose term of office expires this month. The recommended appointee's name was not disclosed.

It is presumed that the appointment by the President will not be made until Congress convenes, when a confirmation vote must be made. Three Democratic candidates are waging a campaign for the office. V. C. Brock, Professor L. P. Henderson and T. A. Reavis.

GEOLOGIST RESIGNS CHAIR

Dr. Branper, However, Will Continue as President of Stanford.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Stanford, Cal., June 28.—Dr. John C. Branper, president of Stanford University, announced today his resignation as head of the department of geology and mining, post he had occupied for 23 years. He will be succeeded by Dr. Bailey Willis, of Washington, D. C., of the United States Geological Survey.

Dr. Branper will continue as president of the university, as announced at commencement recently.

23-cent wall paper now 10 cents. F. A. Taylor Co., 120 10th st.—Adv.

PORTELLA SAYS HE IS PREPARED TO LEAVE

Rival Factions Keep Close Watch on Each Other at El Paso.

MANY CROSSING BORDER

Deposed President of Mexico Refuses to Talk of Politics of His Country, but Denies That He Offered to Aid Iturbide.

LUMBER AGENT NAMED

PORTLAND COMPANY CHOOSES EASTERN REPRESENTATIVES.

Chicago Firm to Handle Business Beyond Mississippi River for Five Mills Situated Here.

CHICAGO, June 28.—(Special.)—A feature of the lumber market today was an announcement by Wilber Hattery, Jr., manager of the Western department of the George T. Mickle Lumber Company, that the company has completed arrangements with the Douglas Fir Lumber Company, of Portland, Or., and will be the selling agents in the territory east of the Mississippi River for the output of five of the largest mills on the Pacific Coast.

The mills to be represented by the new agreement are the Portland Lumber Company, Peninsula Lumber Company, Coast Range Lumber Company, Clark & Wilson Lumber Company and the Bridal Veil Lumber Company.

These mills have a capacity of approximately 1,000,000 feet a day and manufacture particularly Douglas fir, spruce, Western hemlock, red cedar and larch.

Mr. Hattery, who is in charge of the new selling agency, says particular attention will be given to the shipments of the West Coast species through the Panama Canal for the Atlantic Coast trade.

LOFTY DEATH PROBED

LONDON POLICE INVESTIGATING BATHUB MYSTERY.

Landlady Tells of Movements of George Joseph Smith at Time Third Wife Met End.

LONDON, June 28.—Events surrounding the death of Margaret Loft, the third of the women who married George Joseph Smith and met death in a bathtub, were described today at the Old Bailey Police Court.

Miss Blatch, the landlady of a Highgate lodging-house, after the preparation of the newspaper, said she heard someone go upstairs. A few minutes later she heard splashing and a noise as if someone was moving a bath about in the tub. She heard a sigh. "This sigh was the last thing I heard from the bathroom," Miss Blatch said. "Then she heard the door banged and after that she heard the door bell rung. Smith, the prisoner, entered and went upstairs. After going a few steps he called out something and then turned to Miss Blatch and said: 'My God, there is no answer.' He entered the bathroom and shouted to Miss Blatch: 'She is in her bath; come and help me.'"

AUSTRIAN LINE PIERCED

Italian Army Scales Great Cliffs and Cuts through Passes.

BRESCIA, Italy, via Paris, June 28.—Despite the Austrian reinforcements along the whole frontier, the Italians have entered the Austrian territory south of Riva on the western side of Lake Garda, through the Nota VII Passes, about 5,000 feet high, descended the precipitous cliffs of Carone Mountain, more than 8,000 feet high, entered the Ledro Valley and reached the Ponale River.

Thus the Italians occupied part of the road excavated in rock, uniting Riva with Storo and Brescia.

On the mountains dominating this road Austria has constructed a whole system of fortifications.

EXILED PRESIDENT OF PERU DIES

LIMA, Peru, June 28.—News has been received of the death in Iquitos, Chile, of Guillermo Billinghurst, former president of Peru.

Guillermo Billinghurst was elected president of Peru in September, 1912. He was over 70 years of age when he died in a revolution and subsequently exiled.

COUNTY FIGHTS BOND SUIT

Production of Promised Missouri Railways Is Issue Revived.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 28.—Officials of St. Clair County, Missouri, today filed an answer in the United States District Court in the high St. Clair County bond case, involving bonds issued by the county in 1871 to promote railroads that promised to build the Tebo and Neosho Railway. In which they declare the present holders of judgments against the county are not the legal holders; that the county is without funds to pay the bonds and that the methods of reviving the judgments against the county each nine years is illegal.

Today's answer is to a mandamus suit brought June 10 last by Philadelphia owners of the judgments asking that the St. Clair officials show cause why they should not levy a tax assessment in favor of the bondholders.

WATER SYSTEM PLANNED

West Linn Wants Distribution Pipes Ready for Use by Fall.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—Plans and specifications for the \$75,000 water distribution system for West Linn are being completed in the office of S. A. Cobb, City Engineer for the town across the river. It is planned to have the distribution system completed by the time the South Fork water project is finished next Fall, so that West Linn can take immediate advantage of the one-third interest in the pipeline.

The three-inch main will be laid from the South Fork line on the outskirts of Oregon City, through this city, across the river and to a reservoir near the top of the West Linn. The reservoir will have a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons. Bids will be opened July 20.

NO REVOLT IS PERMITTED

(Continued from First Page.)

they have the threads of the plot in their hands, and that within the next few days they will be able to apprehend other suspects. Huerta was under

POPE DENIES WORDS

Paris Writer Invented Assertion, Says State Secretary.

MEANING DECLARED FALSE

Quotation Regarding Hostages Is Confused and No Letter Received From German Governor of Belgium, Is Explanation.

LOFTY DEATH PROBED

LONDON POLICE INVESTIGATING BATHUB MYSTERY.

Landlady Tells of Movements of George Joseph Smith at Time Third Wife Met End.

LONDON, June 28.—Events surrounding the death of Margaret Loft, the third of the women who married George Joseph Smith and met death in a bathtub, were described today at the Old Bailey Police Court.

Miss Blatch, the landlady of a Highgate lodging-house, after the preparation of the newspaper, said she heard someone go upstairs. A few minutes later she heard splashing and a noise as if someone was moving a bath about in the tub. She heard a sigh. "This sigh was the last thing I heard from the bathroom," Miss Blatch said. "Then she heard the door banged and after that she heard the door bell rung. Smith, the prisoner, entered and went upstairs. After going a few steps he called out something and then turned to Miss Blatch and said: 'My God, there is no answer.' He entered the bathroom and shouted to Miss Blatch: 'She is in her bath; come and help me.'"

AUSTRIAN LINE PIERCED

Italian Army Scales Great Cliffs and Cuts through Passes.

BRESCIA, Italy, via Paris, June 28.—Despite the Austrian reinforcements along the whole frontier, the Italians have entered the Austrian territory south of Riva on the western side of Lake Garda, through the Nota VII Passes, about 5,000 feet high, descended the precipitous cliffs of Carone Mountain, more than 8,000 feet high, entered the Ledro Valley and reached the Ponale River.

Thus the Italians occupied part of the road excavated in rock, uniting Riva with Storo and Brescia.

On the mountains dominating this road Austria has constructed a whole system of fortifications.

EXILED PRESIDENT OF PERU DIES

LIMA, Peru, June 28.—News has been received of the death in Iquitos, Chile, of Guillermo Billinghurst, former president of Peru.

Guillermo Billinghurst was elected president of Peru in September, 1912. He was over 70 years of age when he died in a revolution and subsequently exiled.

COUNTY FIGHTS BOND SUIT

Production of Promised Missouri Railways Is Issue Revived.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 28.—Officials of St. Clair County, Missouri, today filed an answer in the United States District Court in the high St. Clair County bond case, involving bonds issued by the county in 1871 to promote railroads that promised to build the Tebo and Neosho Railway. In which they declare the present holders of judgments against the county are not the legal holders; that the county is without funds to pay the bonds and that the methods of reviving the judgments against the county each nine years is illegal.

Today's answer is to a mandamus suit brought June 10 last by Philadelphia owners of the judgments asking that the St. Clair officials show cause why they should not levy a tax assessment in favor of the bondholders.

WATER SYSTEM PLANNED

West Linn Wants Distribution Pipes Ready for Use by Fall.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—Plans and specifications for the \$75,000 water distribution system for West Linn are being completed in the office of S. A. Cobb, City Engineer for the town across the river. It is planned to have the distribution system completed by the time the South Fork water project is finished next Fall, so that West Linn can take immediate advantage of the one-third interest in the pipeline.

The three-inch main will be laid from the South Fork line on the outskirts of Oregon City, through this city, across the river and to a reservoir near the top of the West Linn. The reservoir will have a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons. Bids will be opened July 20.

NO REVOLT IS PERMITTED

(Continued from First Page.)

they have the threads of the plot in their hands, and that within the next few days they will be able to apprehend other suspects. Huerta was under

POPE DENIES WORDS

Paris Writer Invented Assertion, Says State Secretary.

MEANING DECLARED FALSE

Quotation Regarding Hostages Is Confused and No Letter Received From German Governor of Belgium, Is Explanation.

LOFTY DEATH PROBED

LONDON POLICE INVESTIGATING BATHUB MYSTERY.

Landlady Tells of Movements of George Joseph Smith at Time Third Wife Met End.

LONDON, June 28.—Events surrounding the death of Margaret Loft, the third of the women who married George Joseph Smith and met death in a bathtub, were described today at the Old Bailey Police Court.

Miss Blatch, the landlady of a Highgate lodging-house, after the preparation of the newspaper, said she heard someone go upstairs. A few minutes later she heard splashing and a noise as if someone was moving a bath about in the tub. She heard a sigh. "This sigh was the last thing I heard from the bathroom," Miss Blatch said. "Then she heard the door banged and after that she heard the door bell rung. Smith, the prisoner, entered and went upstairs. After going a few steps he called out something and then turned to Miss Blatch and said: 'My God, there is no answer.' He entered the bathroom and shouted to Miss Blatch: 'She is in her bath; come and help me.'"

AUSTRIAN LINE PIERCED

Italian Army Scales Great Cliffs and Cuts through Passes.

BRESCIA, Italy, via Paris, June 28.—Despite the Austrian reinforcements along the whole frontier, the Italians have entered the Austrian territory south of Riva on the western side of Lake Garda, through the Nota VII Passes, about 5,000 feet high, descended the precipitous cliffs of Carone Mountain, more than 8,000 feet high, entered the Ledro Valley and reached the Ponale River.

Thus the Italians occupied part of the road excavated in rock, uniting Riva with Storo and Brescia.

On the mountains dominating this road Austria has constructed a whole system of fortifications.

EXILED PRESIDENT OF PERU DIES

LIMA, Peru, June 28.—News has been received of the death in Iquitos, Chile, of Guillermo Billinghurst, former president of Peru.

Guillermo Billinghurst was elected president of Peru in September, 1912. He was over 70 years of age when he died in a revolution and subsequently exiled.

COUNTY FIGHTS BOND SUIT

Production of Promised Missouri Railways Is Issue Revived.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 28.—Officials of St. Clair County, Missouri, today filed an answer in the United States District Court in the high St. Clair County bond case, involving bonds issued by the county in 1871 to promote railroads that promised to build the Tebo and Neosho Railway. In which they declare the present holders of judgments against the county are not the legal holders; that the county is without funds to pay the bonds and that the methods of reviving the judgments against the county each nine years is illegal.

Today's answer is to a mandamus suit brought June 10 last by Philadelphia owners of the judgments asking that the St. Clair officials show cause why they should not levy a tax assessment in favor of the bondholders.

WATER SYSTEM PLANNED

West Linn Wants Distribution Pipes Ready for Use by Fall.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—Plans and specifications for the \$75,000 water distribution system for West Linn are being completed in the office of S. A. Cobb, City Engineer for the town across the river. It is planned to have the distribution system completed by the time the South Fork water project is finished next Fall, so that West Linn can take immediate advantage of the one-third interest in the pipeline.

The three-inch main will be laid from the South Fork line on the outskirts of Oregon City, through this city, across the river and to a reservoir near the top of the West Linn. The reservoir will have a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons. Bids will be opened July 20.

NO REVOLT IS PERMITTED

(Continued from First Page.)

they have the threads of the plot in their hands, and that within the next few days they will be able to apprehend other suspects. Huerta was under

Graustark Broadway at Stark Continuous from 11 A. M. to 11 P. M.

ONLY 3 MORE DAYS, TODAY, TOMORROW AND WEDNESDAY

The Orpheum Offers for the First Time in the State of Oregon, Essanay's First Six-Part Magnificent Feature,

HERALDED AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST DRAMAS By George Barr McCutcheon

Graustark Francis Bushman and Beverly Bayne Head Its All-Star Cast

Head Its All-Star Cast

Written in America

Notwithstanding the magnitude and the expense of "Graustark," OUR PRICE REMAINS THE SAME

Any Seat 10 Cents

recourse to reprisals, giving the world an unedifying spectacle of Christian brotherhood.

French Canadians Reach England. MONTREAL, June 28.—The Allan liner Scandinavian has reached England with reinforcements for the 67th (French-Canadian) regiment on board.

BRITON SUNK BY GERMAN Crew of Vessel Attacked by Submarine Is Saved. LONDON, June 28.—The British steamship Indrani of 3440 tons was sunk on Sunday by a German submarine southwest of Tuskar, Ireland. The crew of the Indrani was saved.

Move Against Strikers Incomplete. CHICAGO, June 28.—The proposed shutdown of all building material plants in Chicago, as part of the employers' fight against striking carpenters, did not go into effect fully.

German Catholic Prelates Resent Acts of French Churches. ROME, via Paris, June 28.—Cardinal von Hartmann, Archbishop of Cologne, and Cardinal von Bettinger, Archbishop of Munich, have addressed the Pope, strongly protesting against a publication which has appeared in Paris under the title of "The War and Catholicism."

REPRISAL IS THREATENED German Catholic Prelates Resent Acts of French Churches. ROME, via Paris, June 28.—Cardinal von Hartmann, Archbishop of Cologne, and Cardinal von Bettinger, Archbishop of Munich, have addressed the Pope, strongly protesting against a publication which has appeared in Paris under the title of "The War and Catholicism."

YOUR EYES DR. A. P. DE KEYSER

AMERICA'S GREATEST CIGARETTE

ANTI-KAMNIA TABLETS FOR ALL PAIN

FIRST HONORS

ZEROLENE

RED CROWN

THE EQUAL OF ANY PICTURE PROGRAMME IN THIS CITY

AND AS AN EXTRA ADDED ATTRACTION PARTS OF THE THIRD AND FOURTH ACTS OF THE GRAND OPERA "RIGOLETTO"

FOUR STARS OF THE LOMBARDI OPERA CO.

A PROGRAMME THAT HAS NEVER BEEN EQUALLED IN A PICTURE THEATRE

Operatic Programme On at 3 P. M., 8 P. M., 9:45 P. M.

THURSDAY Fine New Films, and Selections From "El Puritan," "Carmen" and "Lucia,"