



## CARRANZA GIVES DEFIANT REPLY

### Equal Right to Cross Border Is Demanded.

## FORMAL MANIFESTO ISSUED

### Mexicans Told He Will Fight Before He Will Surrender Nation's Dignity.

## WASHINGTON IS NOTIFIED

### Reply Will Be That Carranza May Enter Whenever Americans Need Help.

MEXICO CITY, March 12.—General Carranza tonight issued a manifesto to the nation declaring that under no circumstances would the Mexican government grant to the United States a right to violate her neutrality by sending an armed force in pursuit of Villa without the consent and reciprocal privilege being first obtained and admitted.

Word was sent to the confidential agent of the Mexican government in Washington to make immediate representations to this effect.

### War Is Not Shunned.

General Carranza said in his manifesto:

"I am sure that I interpret in this matter the national sentiment and that the Mexican people will comply in a dignified manner with their duty, be the sacrifices what they may, to sustain their rights and sovereignty, if unfortunately this drags us into a war which the United States can never justify. We will not be responsible for the disastrous consequences. Upon the heads of the traitorous Mexicans who, within and without this country, have labored to produce this result will fall the inexorable justice of the people."

### Text of Manifesto Given.

The full text of General Carranza's manifesto follows:

"The cause of the assault which Francisco Villa and the bandits who accompanied him made on the town of Columbus, in American territory, burning houses and killing some of the inhabitants, soldiers, as well as citizens, the international situation in these moments is very delicate, as the North American press have incited their people against Mexico and the government of that country has discussed the situation in the American Congress, members of which have advised intervention.

### Dignity to Be Maintained.

"The constitutional government, which I have the honor to represent, is also occupied diligently in an effort to solve this delicate situation, trying at all costs to maintain the dignity and sovereignty of Mexico and we yet hope that this lamentable incident may be decorously arranged and that there will be no reason for an international conflict.

"I have addressed the Government of the United States, through the Foreign Office, stating that the invasion of Villa has historical precedents, as in the years 1890 and 1886, two parties of Indians coming from the United States, invaded Sonora and Chihuahua, committing crimes and depredations on the lives and properties of Mexicans.

### Indian Campaign Recited.

"It was agreed then between the governments of the two countries to permit the respective passage of armed forces, resulting in the extermination of the Indians. I have asked the American Government to pursue a like course, in order to solve future difficulties should they arise, noting that Villa and his companions are a group of bandits whose acts the Mexican government or people would not be responsible for, and that his reprehensible conduct is due to instigation of the reactionary element; that lacking patriotism and convinced of its defeat, is trying by all means to bring on armed intervention.

"I have not yet received the answer of the American Government and from the reports of my chiefs along the frontier learn that the American forces are mobilizing, to pursue and capture and deliver him to the Mexican authorities; that the expedition is in the nature of a punitive campaign and that the sovereignty of Mexico will be respected.

"The constitutional Government has

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## 5000 LOADED CARS IDLE AT SEATTLE

### FREIGHT FOR RUSSIA WAITING SHIPS AND MORE ON WAY.

### O.-W. R. & N. Tries to Release Cars by Building Sheds to House Material Pending Shipment.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 12.—Despatches from New York say that great quantities of freight destined for Russia are being shipped by rail from the Eastern Coast to Pacific ports because ships cannot be found in the Atlantic to carry the goods to their destination.

Five thousand loaded cars are lying in the railroad yards and near Seattle, awaiting opportunity to load their contents into steamers for Vladivostok, and even larger quantities of freight are stalled at Vancouver, B. C. Every available steamer is being chartered to carry the freight to Siberia, but the cars come in faster than they can be emptied. Cotton, wire and knockdown cars are the principal articles of freight.

The Oregon Washington Railway and Navigation Company is building great sheds here in which Russian freight will be unloaded to release the cars. The shipments promise to continue throughout the duration of the war.

## CONVICTED WOMAN CRIES

### Sentence Will Be Pronounced Today Upon Mrs. Anna Booth.

MINNIVILLE, Or., March 12.—(Special.)—Sentence will be pronounced tomorrow at 4 P. M. upon Mrs. Anna Booth, convicted by a jury here last night of murder in the second degree, in connection with the shooting of her husband, William Booth, near Williamsburg, last October.

Mrs. Booth broke down and cried bitterly when the verdict was announced last night. The early decision was a complete surprise to all who followed the progress of the trial. It is reported that the jurors stood eight for second degree murder and four for manslaughter at first. The verdict is reported to have been reached at the fourth ballot. Attorneys for Mrs. Booth today announced that tomorrow they would enter a motion for a new trial. If not granted, they said, an appeal will be taken.

## CITY ENFORCES BLUE LAW

### Editors of Sunday Newspapers in Moberly, Mo., Arrested.

MOBERLY, Mo., March 12.—The editors of Moberly's three morning newspapers were arrested today as a result of the enforcement of a recently enacted ordinance ordering all business closed from midnight Saturday until Monday morning.

No business was done today in a general observance of the city's first "blue Sunday." Taxicabs paraded the streets but were not allowed to carry passengers.

## ROUMANIA BUYS MUNITIONS

### Deal With Russia Indicates Intention to Join Allies.

LONDON, March 12.—An agreement has been reached between Roumania and Russia which is believed to indicate the definite decision of Roumania to adhere to the cause of the entente allies, according to a Bucharest dispatch to the Exchange Telegram Company. The agreement permits Roumania to buy war materials in Russia and to transport through Russia war materials bought elsewhere.

It is reported that Russia has agreed to give Roumania part of Bessarabia.

## EMPLOYES ORDERED OUT

### American Concerns in Durango Note Unrest Among Lower Classes.

LAREDO, Tex., March 12.—American concerns operating in the Monterey district and in the vicinity of Mapitan, state of Durango, have ordered their employees to leave Mexico at once, owing to unrest among the lower classes of Mexicans, according to American passengers from that section, 250 of whom reached the border here today. There is no apparent ill-feeling against Americans in Nuevo Laredo and the order in this vicinity is normal.

## BUILDING GAIN 30 PER CENT

### Portland February Permits \$406,615 Against \$311,740 Last Year.

Building permits in Portland for February of this year were 30 per cent in excess of those for the same month of 1915.

The February, 1916, permits totaled \$406,615 and those of the same month for 1915 amounted to \$311,740.

### CHURCHILL BACK TO FIGHT

#### Colonel Sees Asquith, Then Decides to Join Regiment.

LONDON, March 12.—Colonel Winston Spencer Churchill, who had an interview with Premier Asquith Saturday, finally has decided his place is with his regiment, according to Reynolds.

Colonel Churchill, the newspaper adds, is understood to have left for France early this morning.

## VILLA FORCES CUT RAILROAD TRACKS

### Mormon Colonists Believed Hemmed in.

## TRAIN ATTACKED BY BANDITS

### Three Passengers Killed, Ten Americans Unharmed.

## UPRISING IS PREDICTED

### People Along Border Believe 10,000 Men Will Join Bandit Leader as Soon as American Troops Reach Mexican Soil.

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 12.—(Special.)—Villa made his hiding place known today for the first time since the fires of looted Columbus lighted his escape into the gray Mexican hills south of town. With 3000 men at his back the bandit chief tore up the track of the Northwestern of Mexico Railroad at Corralitos and swept on toward the Mormon settlements in the San Miguel Valley.

This bold stroke has cut off from escape into the United States 500 Mormons who had planned to make their way to safety across the border. The ruthless raider has announced that he will put to death every man, woman and child in the settlement.

### Mormons' Numbers Thinned.

The Mormons are all that revolution has left in the fertile country around Casas Grandes in the Guerrero district of Chihuahua. There were formerly 20,000 Mormons from the United States settled at a dozen colonies in the San Miguel Valley. They had established prosperous settlements at Dublin, Casas Grandes, Colonia Garcia, Colonia Guarez, Colonia Juarez, Colonia Chichupa and other garden spots. They have been planning since the raid on Columbus to return to the United States, Villa was informed. After his raid into New Mexico he hurried to Columbus to await the Mormons on their passage to El Paso. Learning he was lying in ambush for their destruction, the Mormons delayed their attempt to escape. Villa struck southward and cut the railroad at Corralitos.

### Casas Grandes Desolated.

Casas Grandes resembles a town that a cyclone has struck. The panic that accompanies a pending tragedy was described in a telegraphic prayer for aid flashed from Bishop Bentley, of the Mormon Church at Casas Grandes, to Bishop Hurst, of El Paso.

Villa bandits are hovering on the edge of the Mormon farms ready for the fatal swoop. Tonight or tomorrow may see wholesale massacre in the settlement and flames and smoke going up to the sky from hundreds of burning homes.

American troops may strike in too late to avert the catastrophe. Bishop Hurst has asked assistance of General Gavia, Carranza commander at Juarez. Gavia has 500 troops at Juarez. He declined to send any of his men to the threatened point.

### Bandits Kill Three Passengers.

A band of Villa bandits attacked a train on the Mexican National Railroad.

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## MUNITION PLANTS GET HOME ORDERS

### WORK ON SHELLS AND RIFLES IS BEING RUSHED.

### Officials of Largest Plants Say Country Can Be Supplied Without Stopping Foreign Contracts.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Four of the largest munition plants in this section are working on rush orders for steel shells and rifles for the United States Government, according to statements made here tonight by officials of these companies, who added that they are in a position to supply the further needs of this country without interfering with their foreign orders.

The Remington Arms Company, it was said, is making 2,000,000 rifles for the Army; the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation 2,500,000 shells, and the Baldwin Locomotive Company 1,000,000 steel forgings, while the Midvale Steel & Ordnance Company is also working on large orders for the United States, in addition to its foreign contracts.

Samuel M. Vauclain, managing director of the Remington Arms Company, and a director of the Midvale Steel & Ordnance Company, and Alva B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, said that these concerns had received large orders from the Government within the last few weeks.

## FLOODS DAMAGE ROADS

### Orchards Also Inundated in Wenatchee Valley.

WENATCHEE, Wash., March 12.—(Special.)—High water in the Wenatchee Valley is still doing a great deal of damage to the roads and orchards. Coming down from the hills back of the city the water in many places has cut out the roads and inundated orchards. It is particularly damaging in the section near the Lewis and Clarke schoolhouse, and portions of the road for miles are badly washed. Mission Creek, at Cashmere, is still doing a great deal of damage.

## HAIR CURLING IS FATAL

### Girl Upsets Alcohol Lamp Held in Lap Before Mirror.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 12.—(Special.)—Miss Stella Castiel, 20 years old, a domestic servant, was fatally burned at her apartments, 1101 Fifth avenue, about 4:20 this afternoon. An alcohol lamp which she was using to heat a curling iron, overturned and set her clothing on fire.

This woman had placed the burning lamp in her lap while she sat before the mirror and curled her hair. When the lamp upset the alcohol spread over her clothing. The burning wick ignited her clothing and she was soon enveloped in flames.

## PHEASANT BREAKS WINDOW

### Dead Bird Inside Residence Explains Accident.

A Chinese pheasant yesterday afternoon flew through a thick plate glass window at the home of S. J. Claridge, 925 Woodworth avenue, shattering the window and killing itself.

Mr. and Mrs. Claridge, with their children, yesterday afternoon went out for a walk, and when they returned the most unusual circumstance was easily explained when the body of the three-pound bird was found on the floor. Mr. Claridge gives the explanation that the bird was probably frightened by a passing automobile, took refuge in flight, and, confused, flew against the window.

## RICH FARMER DEAD; MURDER SUSPECTED

### Body Found by Tracks With Pockets Filled.

## \$7,000 IN PORTLAND BANK

### William Stephenson, of North Yakima, Found Slain.

## RECENT DEPOSITS \$11,990

### Cancelled Railway Tickets Carried by Man Found Near Ravensdale, Wash., Show Rancher Was in Portland in Last Few Days.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 12.—The body of William Stephenson, a wealthy farmer of North Yakima, was found beside the Northern Pacific railroad track near Ravensdale, 30 miles east of Seattle, today. In the dead man's pocketbook were certificates of deposit on Seattle, Portland and Tacoma banks for sums totaling \$11,990.

The coroner and Deputy Sheriff believe Mr. Stephenson was murdered. The body was found by a track-walker half a mile east of Ravensdale. Aside from the certificates of deposit the only thing of value in the clothing was 80 cents in small change.

Three cancelled railroad tickets showed that he had made a trip from North Yakima to Portland, thence to Seattle, and was returning to North Yakima, the last ticket being dated March 11.

The certificates of deposit showed that he had deposited \$3910 in a bank in Portland last Friday. Another certificate dated March 10, 1916, was issued by a Seattle bank for \$4000 and another dated October 22, 1915, by a Portland bank for \$4080, making his total deposits \$11,990. Two empty money sacks in his coat pocket convinced the coroner that Mr. Stephenson was in the habit of making his deposits in gold coin.

It is the belief of the officers that he was attacked and robbed on the train last night by someone familiar with his banking methods and who believed that he still had a large sum of money on him. It is supposed that after having been robbed he was thrown from the train. Eight of his ribs and his right arm were broken. Internal injuries caused death.

The body was taken by a Deputy Coroner to Auburn.

## WAR COUNCIL ASSEMBLED

### France, England, Russia and Belgium Are Represented.

PARIS, March 12.—General Joffre, Commander-in-Chief of the French armies, presided over the council of war of the entente allies, which assembled today at the French army headquarters.

While the council is in session Great Britain will be represented by General Sir Douglas Haig, Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in France; Russia by General Glinzky, aide-de-camp to the Russian Emperor; Belgium by the chief of the General Staff, and Serbia by Colonel Pachitch.

## SUNDAY DANCING CHECKED IN COOS

### DISTRICT ATTORNEY DECIDES TO ENFORCE BLUE LAW.

### First of Proposed Series of Sunday Night Hops Given Up on Advice of Prosecutor.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 12.—(Special.)—The old Sunday closing law, cause of much recent litigation and argument in Oregon, again bobbed into the limelight today in Coos County, and its enforcement was ordered by District Attorney Liljeqvist.

A dance was to have been given tonight in the Simpson Pavilion, outside the Marshfield city limits, but on complaint to him, Mr. Liljeqvist advised the persons who were planning the dance as the first of a series of Sunday evening dances for the summer not to proceed, notifying them that it would be his duty to prosecute if the management proceeded with the function.

This was the first complaint which has been made in Coos County since the Supreme Court ruling which left the enforcement of disregard of the time-worn statute to the discretion of the various District Attorneys.

The Simpson Pavilion is operated by Marshfield persons but is outside the city limits and therefore comes under state jurisdiction. Mr. Liljeqvist would not disclose the names of those who complained.

## 45 INITIATED BY KNIGHTS

### Pendleton Catholic Order Now Is One of Largest in State.

PENDLETON, Or., March 12.—(Special.)—Today was one of the biggest days in the history of the Pendleton lodge of the Knights of Columbus, when a class of 45 were initiated into the order. The initiation was followed by a large banquet at the Eagle-Woodman Hall, at which the City Council and Mayor J. A. Best were among the guests.

Among the speakers of the day were A. G. Bagley, of New Haven, Conn., one of the National officers; W. A. Barrett, of Albany, state deputy; Bishop C. J. O'Reilly, of Baker, and District Deputy J. H. Pearce, of La Grande.

Pendleton now has one of the largest chapters of the lodge in Oregon.

## BRITISH AUXILIARY SUNK

### Fourteen Lost When Mine Is Struck Off East Coast of England.

LONDON, March 12.—It was officially announced at the British Admiralty today that the mercantile fleet auxiliary Fauvette, of 344 tons gross, has been sunk as the result of striking a mine off the east coast of England. Fourteen members of the crew were lost. The Admiralty statement says: "His Majesty's mercantile fleet auxiliary Fauvette has struck a mine off the east coast and has sunk. Casualties: Two officers and 12 men."

The Fauvette formerly was in the service of the General Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., of London. The vessel was built at Middleborough in 1912. She was 215 feet long, 43 feet beam and 18 feet deep.

### German Aeroplane Chased Away.

LONDON, March 12.—A German aeroplane was sighted approaching North Foreland about noon today. It was pursued by British aeroplanes from Dover, and flew seaward.

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## FUNSTON OUTLINES PLANS FOR PURSUIT

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## BORDER WILL BE PROTECTED

### General Does Not Favor "Swivel Chair" Campaign.

## SCOUTS IN WORST PERIL

### Small Advance Parties Will Not Be Able to Surrender When Outnumbered Hopelessly, but Must Fight to Death.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 12.—Major-General Frederick Funston today outlined his plans for the capture, "dead or alive," of Francisco Villa and his band of outlaws.

"We do not ourselves know just when the expedition will start into Mexico, although, of course, it will be soon," he declared.

"It will go forward just as soon as a sufficient number of men with an adequate commissary can be organized. It will not be held back, however, until all the troops now ordered to the border have arrived.

"There is no use going at this thing half-cocked. The task ahead of us will be a long and arduous one."

### Border Situation Complex.

It became known today that the plans for the campaign against Villa have been affected by the border situation elsewhere than at Columbus, N. M. The situation is so important as to have hindered rapid concentration of the punitive expedition that will go after the perpetrators of the Columbus outrage.

Great excitement has been noted, it is said authoritatively, in the Carranza garbisons at Nogales, opposite the Arizona border town of that name, and at Piedras Negras, which fronts Eagle Pass, Tex., from across the Rio Grande.

### Border's Fears Respected.

This uneasiness has extended to the large Mexican population on the American side. Troops now stationed on the border are sufficient to cope with any situation that may arise, General Funston says. However, as it is his intention to use these troops in the search for Villa and as they cannot be moved until other detachments arrive to replace them, complete organization of the expeditionary military has been held up.

Army circles feel bound to respect the fear of residents in American towns that, notwithstanding assurances from Carranza's representatives, uprisings may follow the actual occupation of Mexican territory by American soldiers.

It is felt that the welfare of the border cannot be sacrificed to the doubtful success of a hasty and therefore unprepared pursuit of the fugitive Villa.

### Funston Enjoins Patience.

General Funston's statement regarding the uncertainty of the punitive expedition's departure was in reply to what he termed the impatient of the American people for speedy action.

"The people must be patient," he said. "We must adequately prepare for this thing.

"In the first place we must use, as much as possible, soldiers who are accustomed to Mexican border duty. However, these men cannot be removed from the present posts until they are relieved by troops drawn from other departments and hurried to the border.

"Transportation of the relief patrols is not an easy matter. Many of these troops consist of scattered detachments that have to be concentrated, sometimes after difficult marches, before they can be sent southward.

### Soldiers Must Be Well Fed.

"Concentration and transportation of troops is not all our problem, however. We are going to march into a country that will afford little or no forage. The commissary must be adequately supplied.

"A Villa follower can live on little or nothing. An American soldier must be well fed if he is to give good service.

"We won't gain anything by haste. To send an inadequate force, insufficiently prepared, after Villa would hinder and not hasten matters."

Speaking regarding the course the campaign will take, General Funston said:

"There will be more than one expeditionary force, although I am not at liberty to say how many or from what point or points they will start.

### Swivel Chair Not to Reign.

"All this will be left to the discretion of the expeditionary commander, who will have complete charge of all the forces in the field. I don't believe in swivel-chair campaigning.

"Necessarily the campaign will develop new situations and the disposal of the troops is contingent upon these developments. I may at intervals visit the field forces.

"Of course the expedition will not await the arrival at the border of all the troops now being dispatched from other departmental stations. It will be gotten under way just as soon as possible and, as other troops arrive, they will be sent forward as reinforcements.

"El Paso, naturally, will be the base

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