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## ARMY IN MEXICO IN NEW DANGER

### Carranza Garrison Reported Joining Villa.

### TRANSPORT QUESTION GRAVE

Ability to Supply Pershing Without Use of Railroad Doubted by Many.

### MEXICAN ACTS SUSPICIOUS

Story of Severed Wires May Have Been Ruse to Conceal Real Purpose.

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 22.—(Passed by censor.)—General Luis Herrera, until recently Carranza military governor of Chihuahua, has renounced Carranza and announced in favor of Villa, taking the field in Western Chihuahua with 2000 troops, according to reliable information received here tonight.

EL PASO, March 22.—The silence which for two days has enveloped the Mexican situation, as far as any definite news of the pursuit of Pancho Villa is concerned, gave free force today to the numerous reports from various sources of grave disaffection among the Carranza troops.

On the border, at least, it is firmly believed that the soldiers of the first chief are far from giving any real co-operation to the American expeditionary force.

Revolt of Garrison Reported.

It is admitted that General Carranza and some of his lieutenants sincerely desire to avoid friction with the United States, but it is not believed that the head of the de facto government represents the attitude or sentiments of his army or fellow citizens.

From several different sources a circumstantial report was received today that the garrison at Chihuahua, supposed to number 2000 men, had revolted and that their commander, General Luis Herrera, had declared in favor of Villa. Andre Garcia, the Carranza Consul here, branded this report as false, but in high official circles here it was accepted as at least possible, in view of the fact that more than half of the Mexican troops at Chihuahua were former Villistas.

Cutting of Wires Doubtful.

Since yesterday morning General Gavira, at Juarez, has asserted that the wires along the northwestern railroad between Juarez and Casas Grandes have been cut and that consequently he could give no information in regard to the reported battle at Namiquipa between the Carranza forces and Villa forces.

Americans here, especially refugees from Mexico, are frankly skeptical both as to the reported battle and the cut wires. They point out that severing communications is one of the most familiar ruses used by Mexican officials when they wish to withhold information, and that it is strange that the wires to Casas Grandes, a distance of only 130 miles, along a railroad, could not be repaired in two days.

Pershing May Be Near Battle.

That General Pershing and some of his forces are close to Namiquipa seems reasonably certain, and if the bandit had received a serious check at the hands of the Carranzistas, a clash between his followers and the Americans should be imminent. The fact that a Carranza victory would have been most certainly heralded far and wide by this time, instead of suppressed, adds force to the contentions of the skeptics.

Whatever is the real situation in this section of the Sierra Madre, where Americans, Carranzistas and Villistas are operating, the main interest here lies in the railroad situation.

Even before the American Government requested General Carranza to permit the use of the Mexican railroads for transportation of supplies, ominous rumors had reached here that General Punston was experiencing serious difficulty in forwarding supplies to General Pershing's columns. These rumors have reached the stage now where they may be classed as definite information.

## THAMES LIGHTSHIP SUNK BY TORPEDO

ONLY MAST IS ABOVE SEA AT VESSEL'S STATION.

German Submarines Lay Mines in Vicinity, Too, and Many Disasters Result.

LONDON, March 22.—The Gallipoli lightship, at the mouth of the Thames, has been torpedoed and sunk, according to Lloyd's report.

The Gallipoli lightship was one of four vessels marking the limits of the famous Goodwin Sands at the entrance of the Straits of Dover in the North Sea, and a few miles from the Kentish coast of England. The other lightships are the North Goodwin, the East Goodwin and the Kentish Knock.

A London dispatch of March 8 said that, according to British naval officials, German submarines had been busy laying anchored mines between the mouth of the Thames and the Gallipoli lightship. Many disasters have occurred in the last few months in this neighborhood.

The Dutch steamer Amstelland, from Buenos Aires for Amsterdam, reports, according to a Reuter dispatch from Ymuiden, that she set her course for the Gallipoli lightship, but found on the spot only a mast above the surface of the sea.

## 39,211 REGISTER SO FAR

Mark Is 30,000 Below Total That Should Be Reached in 23 Days.

Registrations are still more than 30,000 short of the total which should be attained in 23 days from now. The books close on April 18 for the primaries.

The registration bureau, on the first floor of the Courthouse, near the northwest entrance, is kept open until 6 o'clock every night to allow all workers who cannot get away from business before 6 o'clock to register before going home.

The total number of voters registering yesterday was 994, of which number 447 were men and 447 were women.

## EL PASO NEWS CENSORED

General Bell Forbids Dispatches Regarding Preparations.

EL PASO, Tex., March 22.—General George Bell, Jr., tonight applied the censorship to news dispatches over commercial wires out of El Paso, which, he said, were of an "incendiary character."

General Bell said that he did not intend to have information of "preparations" he was making given out in advance of their execution. The General added he was investigating reports that the Carranza garrison at Juarez, across the river from El Paso, had deserted to the Villa cause.

## CZAR MAY CONSERVE MEAT

Bill to Prohibit Sale Two Days Weekly to Be Offered.

PETROGRAD, March 22.—The Russian Ministry Office will shortly introduce a bill in the Duma prohibiting throughout Russia the killing of livestock on Tuesdays and Thursdays and fixing the number of cattle that may be slaughtered on other days.

The bill will provide for prohibition of the sale of all kinds of meat in markets, restaurants and hotels on Wednesday and Friday, and for the closing of butcher shops on those days.

## WOMAN AFIRE SAVES BABE

Three Seriously Burned When Stove Explodes at North Yakima.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 22.—James Miller, was probably fatally burned, his wife and Thomas Castle were seriously burned today by a fire that destroyed the Miller home here. The three Miller children, the eldest 4 years, were carried to safety. Miller threw oil on a smoldering fire and an explosion followed.

Mr. Miller, with her clothing on fire, rescued one of her children and Castle carried out the other two.

## CITY TO TRAIN BOY PUPILS

Hoboken to Inaugurate Military Course Immediately.

HOBOKEN, N. J., March 22.—Military training of boys in the public schools here will begin immediately. It was announced today, when the City Commissioners voted an appropriation of \$5000 to defray the initial expense of purchasing uniforms, guns and other equipment.

Two officers of the New Jersey National Guard were appointed to instruct the 500 boys who will comprise the first corps organization.

## DOLLAR IS WORTH 2 CENTS

Carranza Money Takes Slump on San Antonio Market.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 22.—The value of the Carranza dollar fell to 2 cents in American money on the San Antonio market today.

This is the lowest price quoted since the money became recognized by local banks. The highest price was 10 cents, paid immediately after the Carranza de facto government was recognized by the United States.

## DERELICT WRECKED AT BRIGHTON BEACH

### Schooner Oakland Is Breaking Up.

### SAGINAW TAKES OFF CREW

### Steamer Conveys Rescued Men to Seattle.

### CARGO IS COMING ASHORE

Craft Sails From Coquille River for San Francisco and Is Blown About 200 Miles North and Out of Course.

BAY CITY, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—The abandoned lumber schooner Oakland, of San Francisco, went ashore on the sand beach about one and one-half miles north of Brighton Beach, about 6:30 tonight.

The vessel immediately began to break up. Quantities of railroad ties from her cargo began floating ashore shortly after the vessel struck.

The three-masted schooner Oakland, lumber laden, from the Coquille River for San Francisco, sailed on March 19. Tuesday the steamer Saginaw, from Redondo to Seattle, took off the crew of the water-logged vessel. The Oakland became a derelict in a position described as 25 degrees 16 minutes north; 124 degrees 35 minutes west, according to information sent by the coast guard cutter Snubsmith to the Merchants' Exchange.

The Saginaw passed in at Cape Flattery at 9:30 yesterday morning, having on board the seven members of the Oakland's crew.

The Oakland was a vessel of 418 gross tons, built in San Francisco in 1902. She is owned by the Pyre Lumber Company, of San Francisco.

The abandoned Oakland was sighted by Captain Farley, of the coast guard service, 65 miles north of the coast here, and was passed by the steamer Beaver on route to Portland. The Port of Portland tug Oneonta left Astoria later in the day in an endeavor to pick up the Oakland.

### Distressed Craft Picked Up

Schooner Lindauer Is in Tow of Steamer Adeline Smith.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—The steam schooner G. C. Lindauer, which sailed on March 19, was picked up in distress between midnight and 4 o'clock this morning by the steamer Adeline Smith, en route (concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

## TWO BEGIN 10-DAY WAIT TO GET LAND

MEN TAKE PLACE IN LINE TO SHARE IN SILETZ DRAWING.

J. D. Guiss and J. D. Shaffer to Play Crribbage and Sleep on Floor Until April 1.

Man's proverbial desire for land was amply exemplified yesterday, when two men took their places before the doors of the United States Land Office in the Worcester building to await the drawings for allotments on the Siletz Indian reservation on April 1.

J. D. Guiss, of the East Yamhill street, is the first man in line. He took his place yesterday noon. J. E. Shaffer, of 2187 Eugene street, arrived at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and promptly lined up behind Mr. Guiss.

The two men remained in their places all last night, contenting themselves until midnight playing cribbage. Then Mr. Guiss had a cot brought in and went to sleep. The other man rolled up in a pair of blankets and stretched himself in apparent comfort upon the floor.

## PHILIPPINE EXPORTS GAIN

Total of Nearly \$54,000,000 Is Showing for Past Year.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The Philippines export trade increased about \$5,000,000 during 1915, reaching a total of nearly \$54,000,000 for the calendar year, according to figures given out today by the insular bureau.

War prices for sugar and the recovery of cocanutt and hemp plantations from the disastrous typhoon of 1912 were ruling factors in the year's favorable returns.

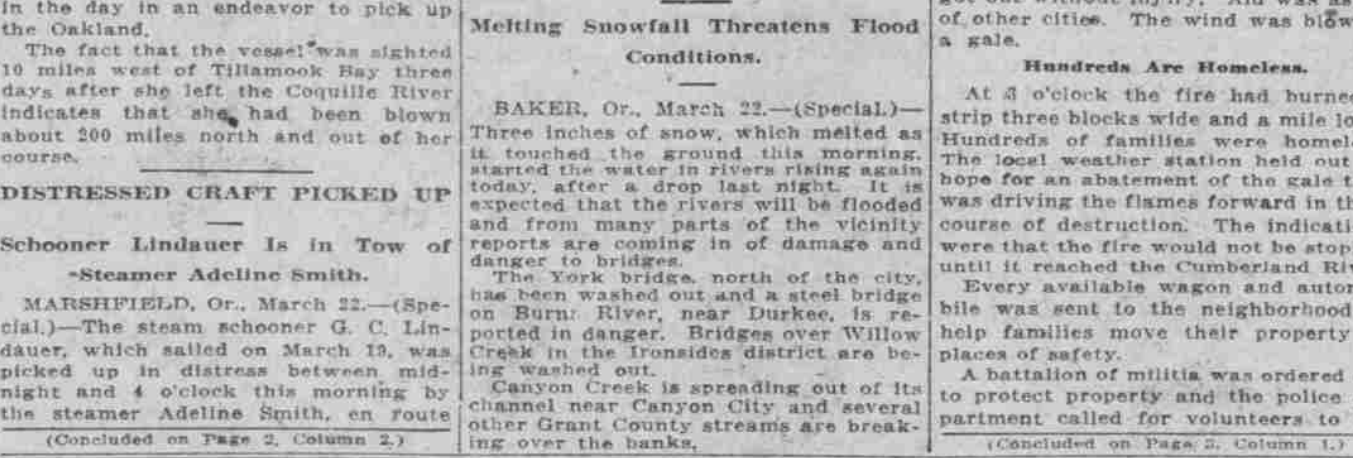
## RIVERS RISE AT BAKER

Melting Snowfall Threatens Flood Conditions.

BAKER, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Three inches of snow, which melted as it touched the ground this morning, started the water in rivers rising again today, after a drop last night. It is expected that the rivers will be flooded and from many parts of the vicinity reports are coming in of damage and danger to bridges.

The York bridge, north of the city, has been washed out and a steel bridge on Burn River, near Durkee, is reported in danger. Bridges over Willow Creek in the Tronadis district are being washed out.

## OUR SCULPTORS AT WORK.



## 35 BLOCKS BURNED IN EAST NASHVILLE

### Fire Rages in City for Several Hours.

### 3000 PERSONS SUPREME COURT BLANK

### Distant Cities Appealed To for Apparatus to Fight Flames.

### LOSS TOTALS \$1,500,000

High Gale Spreads Conflagration and Governor Appeals to Semi-Military Bodies to Help Militia—One Life Lost.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 22.—A fire which started in a small dwelling near the corner of Sixth and Main streets this afternoon, driven by a high wind, swept southeast through East Nashville, and at 7 o'clock tonight 35 blocks had been destroyed, with a loss of probably \$1,500,000.

At 7 o'clock the fire department announced the conflagration was under control.

East Nashville is largely a residence section and many of the homes there are frame. Over brick and frame houses alike, however, the flames swept like an avalanche. The home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, an institution for the aged, was one of the first buildings to go. The occupants got out without injury. Aid was asked of other cities. The wind was blowing a gale.

### HEAVY LOSS CAUSED BY FIRES IN MANY SECTIONS OF COUNTY

East Nashville, Tenn., 25 blocks destroyed; loss estimated at \$1,500,000.

Copper Hill, Tenn., chemical plant; loss \$1,000,000.

Faria, Tex.—Three dead, one missing, 8000 homeless; loss from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Prairie fires in Kansas and Missouri covered wide area and caused heavy damage.

Augusta, Ga.—Fire in business section destroys ten blocks; loss, \$2,000,000.

### BOY CONFESSES 12 FIRES

New York Youth Explains He Was Rehearsing Firemen.

NEW YORK, March 22.—George Gustaf, 18 years old, a former student in the College of the City of New York, arrested here on a charge of arson, has admitted, the police said, that he set 12 fires in a residential section of the city, one of which was in the dormitory of a police station.

### NATIVE DAUGHTER DIES, 81

Mrs. Grennon, Born at Trading Post Near Spokane, Dies at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., March 22.—Mrs. Genevieve Grennon, age 81, born at the Hudson Bay Company's post near Spokane, the daughter of John Plomondon, an employee of the Hudson Bay Company, died here last night.

Her first husband was John Ross, son of Captain John Ross, of Victoria, B. C., where she lived 35 years, later coming to the Hudson Bay Company's post at Fort Nisqually and afterwards to her daughter, Mrs. Bernier, in Tacoma.

### DAILY CITY STATISTICS

The Weather.

YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 52 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees.

TODAY—Partly cloudy and occasionally drizzling weather; winds mostly westerly.

Mexico.

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War.

Australians abandon Bukovina capital. Page 4.

British editors voice demand for more men for army. Page 4.

Thames lightship, sunk by torpedo. Page 1.

National.

House will pass Army increase bill today. Page 2.

Northwest farm wage higher than elsewhere. Page 2.

Secretary Hoke exposes inadequacy of Hay Army bill. Page 3.

Domestic.

Nine killed, many injured in season's most freakish storm. Page 1.

East Nashville swept by fire. Page 1.

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Gustin wins place as regular first baseman. Page 14.

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Talent nation-wide comes to aid of 1916 Braves. Page 14.

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O'Connell and Vance to settle old grudge in wrestling match. Page 1.

Pacific Northwest.

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Putah timber railroad may tap Cool Bay country. Page 5.

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Derelict schooner Oakland is wrecked at Brighton Beach. Page 1.

Commercial and Marine.

Eastern coal markets have firmer undertone. Page 2.

Wheat weakened at Chicago by fresh peace rumors. Page 2.

General recovery in Wall-street stocks. Page 2.

Japanese shipowners plan trade center here. Page 2.

Portland and Vicinity.

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George W. Bates, president of Lumbermen's Board and Portland Clearing-House, dies. Page 5.

Many respond to call for Oregon Spanish War Veterans' reunion. Page 27.

Washington High School wins Vista House fund contest cup. Page 20.

Chamber arranges open house April 7. Page 16.

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## NORTHWEST FARM WAGE IS HIGHEST

LABORERS GET 30 TO 40 PER CENT MORE PAY.

Average for Nation Is \$21.26 Per Month and Board; in Far Western States, \$33.50.

REGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 22.—Farm labor is better paid in the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain states than in any other part of the Union, according to a compilation of wages by the Department of Agriculture. Farm hands in the Far Western states receive 30 to 40 per cent more than do those the country over, and nearly double the wages paid on the Atlantic Coast.

The average monthly wage of farm labor throughout the United States during 1915 was \$21.26 per month, where board was furnished, and \$30.15 without board. The average in the Far West was \$33.50 with board and \$48.31 without.

In Oregon the monthly average wage with board during 1915 was \$31.30, and without board \$43.50. At harvest time Oregon farm hands received \$2 per day with board, or \$2.48 without, and at other seasons of the year were paid \$1.41 with board, and \$1.94 without.

In Washington the monthly wage, with board, averaged \$32.50 and without board was \$48. At harvest the daily wage was \$2.35 with board and \$2.80 without, while for the balance of the year laborers received \$1.59 with board, or \$2.16 without.

In Idaho the monthly wage, with board, during 1915, was \$35.90 and without board \$51. At harvest time the daily wage of farm hands was \$2.31 with board and \$2.68 without. During the remainder of the year the daily wage averaged \$1.69 with board, and \$2.28 without board.

## TRAGEDY ATTENDS ON FREAKY STORM

### Nine Killed, Many Injured Near Chicago.

### LAKE IS RAISED THREE FEET

### Big Four Railroad Station Is Overturned.

### TRAFFIC IS DEMORALIZED

Worst Weather of Entire Season Is Reported on Lake Michigan, but Steamers Ride Out Gale Without Serious Damage.

CHICAGO, March 22.—(Special.)—Nine persons were killed, scores seriously injured, and half a hundred families made homeless by a freak storm which swept Chicago and vicinity this morning. Two men were killed in Chicago, three men and a girl were killed in Indiana, and four men in Wisconsin.

"Of all the weather freaks in my half-century's experience, this storm was the worst," said Captain Charles Garland, in command of the United States Coast Guard, stationed at Chicago.

Unusual and spectacular combinations of vivid lightning and driving sleet and snow were lost sight of in the tragic aftermath of the storm.

### Property Loss Is Millions

The Weather Bureau reported conditions the most unusual in its history. Within a radius of several hundred miles from Chicago traffic was demoralized, houses and barns were blown down, telephone and telegraphic communication was disrupted and human lives were endangered.

Property losses ran into millions of dollars.

The injured were counted in hundreds. Many will die. In addition to injuries directly attributed to the storm, those resulting from traffic accidents reached an abnormally high figure.

The level of Lake Michigan was raised three feet and ice floes were hurled upon shore, causing much damage.

### Traffic Is Demoralized

Traffic was demoralized. Interurban and streetcars were stopped as a heavy sleet fell. The storm's fiercest weather of the entire 1915-16 winter season was reported on Lake Michigan, where a gale whirled up great waves which pounded the southern shore. Extra lookouts were posted at the coast guard station at the mouth of the river. Waves were breaking high over the Government pier and several steamers making port reported rough times.

The wind increased in velocity as the morning advanced. At the coast guard stations at the mouth of the river, Surfman No. 3 estimated the wind was blowing from the northeast at the rate of between 40 and 45 miles an hour.

### Steamships Ride Out Storm

Several steamships operating from the port of Chicago rode safely through the storm. The wireless with which the ships are equipped kept Chicago offices in touch with each captain, it was announced.

The blizzard was preceded by heavy thunder storms last night and a deluge of rain. The storm swept up from the southwestern gulf district, and had all the appearance of a Spring shower a month ahead of schedule.

In the night, however, the temperature dropped rapidly and the rain changed to snow and sleet, while the wind rose to the proportions of a tornado.

Trains covered with ice and sleet crept into their stations hours behind their schedule. The ice-cream system was thrown into an almost hopeless tangle and elevated trains moved on greatly retarded schedules.

### Railway Station Overturned

The full force of the wind, which reached a velocity of 45 miles an hour, was seen in uprooted trees and overturned buildings. In Beaverfield, near Kankakee, 12 houses were blown down, the Big Four Railroad station was overturned and a partly completed school building was wrecked.

Four deaths were reported from Indiana, where in places the storm became a tornado. Wisconsin towns also suffered damage. The Calumet region also was storm-swept. In the southern part of Lake County the wind was cyclonic and swept down a mile of telegraph poles.

### NEW TRAINING PLAN URGED

Citizen Motorcycle Machine Gun Batteries Suggested.

ENGLEWOOD, N. J., March 22.—Organization of motorcycle machine gun batteries by citizens interested in military preparedness was advocated by Captain Johnson, aide to Major-General Leonard Wood, in an address here tonight.

He pointed out that there is no such organization in this country, in spite of the fact that such units have proved of tremendous value in the present war, because of their ability to travel at the rate of 30 or 40 miles an hour. Captain Johnson said such an organization would be of great value to the punitive expedition in Mexico.

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