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"FRIENDLY AID" IS TENDERED MEXICO

Message to Leaders in Form of Appeal.

FACTIONS URGED TO UNITE

Reply to Communication Within Ten Days Is Asked.

CONVENTION IS SUGGESTED

Full Text Given Out in Washington and Telegraphed to Score of Military and Political Leaders Throughout Republic.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The Pan-American appeal to Mexico, now being delivered to the chiefs of factions and Governors of states, was made public tonight by the State Department.

Without even an intimation of armed intervention, it calls on the leaders to meet somewhere in Mexico, on neutralized ground, in a conference, "to adopt the first steps necessary to the constitutional reconstruction of the country," and to issue a call for immediate elections. The services of the United States or any of the other Pan-American conferees are offered as intermediaries to arrange the meeting.

Announcement Made to People.

The appeal, although addressed to the political and military leaders, takes on the form of an announcement to the Mexican people themselves. As made public by the State Department, the document is prefaced by this announcement:

"The Mexican people are informed that the following communication has been sent to many prominent persons in Mexico who possess authority or military power within the republic."

Then follows the appeal, dated at Washington, August 11:

"The undersigned, the Secretary of State of the United States, the Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary of Brazil, Chile and Argentina, and the envoys extraordinary and Ministers plenipotentiary of Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala, accredited to the Government of the United States of America, acting severally and independently, unanimously send to you the following communication:

Friendly Assistance Tendered.

"Inspired by the most sincere spirit of American fraternity and convinced that they rightly interpret the earnest wish of the entire continent, they have met informally at the suggestion of the Secretary of State of the United States to consider the Mexican situation so as to ascertain whether their friendly and disinterested help could be successfully employed to re-establish peace and constitutional order in our sister republic.

"In the heat of the frightful struggle which for so long has steeped in blood the Mexican soil, doubtless all may well have lost sight of the dissolving effects of the strife upon the most vital conditions of the national existence, not only upon the life and liberty of the inhabitants, but on the prestige and security of the country.

Appeal Made to Patriotism.

"We cannot doubt, however—no one can doubt—that in the presence of a sympathetic appeal from their brothers of America, recalling to them these disastrous effects, asking them to save their motherland from an abyss—no one can doubt, we repeat—that the patriotism of the men who lead or aid in any way the bloody strife will not remain unmoved; no one can doubt that each and every one of them, measuring

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SPOKANE PRODUCE MEN DEFY NEW ACT

HALF DOZEN FIRMS TO FACE PROSECUTION MONDAY.

Not One Commission Concern Gets License or Gives Bond Guaranteeing to Make Reports.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—Half a dozen commission firms of Spokane will face prosecution Monday morning for alleged violation of the state's new horticultural law, requiring a bond and license from all commission dealers.

The new law goes into effect tomorrow. It requires that each firm take out a license costing $10 and put up a bond of $3000 guaranteeing that it will make reports of the disposition of each lot of produce and the price received.

Not one firm in the city has taken out a license or put up the bond with the State Department of Agriculture, it was said today by the Horticultural Inspector for Eastern Washington.

"I have received strict orders to enforce the law Monday," said the inspector, "and I will surely prosecute the commission men who attempt to evade it. The chief objection is not against the license or the bond, but to the provision requiring reports."

BOY ROLLS WITH BIG TRUCK

Two-Ton Machine Turns Over Six Times Down Steep Hillside.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—Rolling 150 feet down the side of a hill near Conner Creek, when a two-ton auto truck left the road and turned over sideways six times, 16-year-old Edward Geiser is now in St. Elizabeth's Hospital suffering from many bruises.

Geiser was riding with Driver Harry Gilham, of the Conner Creek mine, owned by Albert Geiser, father of the boy, when the truck got beyond Gilham's control. Gilham jumped, but young Geiser turned somersaults with the big machine and finally alighted in some bushes. The truck was badly damaged.

13 JINX BRAVED ALL WAY

Albany Mayor Starts on Friday, 13th; Plans Many 13-Day Stops.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—Dennis Cormier, Mayor of Lebanon, is not superstitious. He and his wife left for a long trip on Friday, the 13th, and the so-called fateful figures will play a large part in their journey.

They left on train 13 on the Southern Pacific. Mr. Cormier said they will pass 13 days at San Francisco, 13 days at Los Angeles, 13 days at San Diego, and 13 days in Yosemite Valley. They plan to arrive in their home at Lebanon on October 13.

OIL DEAL IN CHINA FAILS

Standard Fails to Conclude Exploitation Contract in Pekin.

PEKIN, Aug. 14.—W. E. Bemis, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company of New York, departed for the United States today, having failed to conclude a permanent contract with the Chinese government for the exploitation of oil fields of China.

The Standard Oil Company entered into a preliminary agreement with China last year for the development of oil districts in the northern part of the country. This agreement expires tomorrow.

CAMERA TO READ METERS

New York Instals Device to Insure Greater Accuracy.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Gas meters in New York hereafter will be read by photograph in order to insure absolute accuracy. Meter readers will be equipped with a camera which fits over the indicator of the gas meter.

By pressing a button light is thrown on the dial and exposure made showing the amount of gas burned.

BOMB-THROWING IS TAUGHT TO SOLDIERS

Special Courses Held in Trenches

ENGINEER GIVES LESSONS

Grenades Are of Eight Kinds, All Powerful.

FUSE SET TO 5 SECONDS

Asphyxiating Bombs Are Not Poisonous, but Can Rout Sneezing Foe—New Aerial Torpedo Fired by Special Gun.

BY RALPH PULITZER.

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FIELD HEADQUARTERS OF THE FRENCH ARMY, Aug. 9.—I have just had a most interesting experience, that of attending a soldiers' school of bomb-throwing. The military authorities permitted my presence as an exceptional favor. I am informed that I am the first foreign civilian to whom this privilege has been accorded.

This particular school holds its classes in a large green field in a peaceful little valley within long artillery range of the firing line. No German shells, however, have hitherto distracted the pupils from their rather gruesome lessons, and I will not endanger their continued studies by giving a more definite description of the locality.

Privates Attend School.

This school is attended by privates from each regiment, who spend four days at their highly explosive studies. Toward the middle field, about 200 yards from one end and about 200 from the other, was a section of open trench about 20 yards long and some four feet deep. This trench was about the usual three feet in width except in its center, where for about five feet it was recessed back to a width of some six feet. This was where the French instructor stood and whirled his arms to throw the bombs. A couple of feet to the left of this recess was another recess covered with a bomb-proof roof of logs and earth.

Into this the instructor and his pupil sought refuge from the effects of the bomb explosion. As the explosion really is terrific and takes place at the longest only five seconds from the time the mechanism of the bomb is started, and at a maximum distance of 30 yards, the instructor and anyone in the trench with him have got to be exceedingly spry in running under the bombproof in order to beat the bomb. There is, too, the danger of a premature explosion.

One Colonel Killed Outright.

To make me feel more entirely at my ease, they told me that only a few days ago an officer of explosives brought a Colonel to see one of these demonstrations in another school, behind a different part of the line. As they came to the entrance of the trench the officer politely made way for the Colonel to enter the trench first. As the Colonel did so, the bomb exploded prematurely and killed the Colonel outright.

About 20 yards in front of the trench was dug a shallow dummy trench to represent a German target. Some 150 yards further distant was set up a section of wire entanglements. We found the 128 soldiers ranged in line a few yards behind the trench. At the edge of the trench I took my place with the Captain of explosives and three or four other officers. The infantrymen lined up two deep behind us.

In the open recess in the trench stood

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CHICAGO MARKET IS BEARISH

Traders Still Nervous Over Cancellations of Orders.

CANADA RUMOR ALARMS

Story That Steamer Corinthian Was Torpedoed in Gulf of St. Lawrence Contributes to Unsettled Market Condition.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—(Special.)—While the reason for the cancellation of grain contracts by Great Britain, France and Italy remains an unsolved mystery, a cable from London today may prove enlightening.

According to the message, the British Cabinet is considering important recommendations concerning the supply of food, particularly wheat, made by the commission appointed on June 1, by the Earl of Selborne, president of the Board of Agriculture, with Lord Milner as chairman.

Home Supply Counted On.

The nature of the report is guarded closely, but it is intimated the recommendations include plans to increase the home-grown supply of wheat by guaranteeing to producers a minimum price for their product.

The London Times urges the government to act promptly, pointing out that farmers are gathering the present harvest and must decide on the uses of their land in the coming season.

Cash wheat dropped 5 to 7 cents a bushel today on the Chicago Board of Trade, in a market still nervous as a result of the recent cancellation of orders.

Traders Puzzled by Events.

While many traders, including James A. Patten, believed the action had been taken by the foreigners for the purpose of market manipulation and subsequent purchases at lower prices, others were puzzled by these events:

A Canadian exporter telegraphed from Toronto that he had cancellations of orders.

A Baltimore house received a cable from its Paris agent asking a basis on which flour contracts could be canceled.

Most of the export houses did not receive export bids on wheat, but at the close a New York house reported that 500,000 bushels had been sold abroad.

Patten Reported Selling.

September wheat broke 2 cents today and showed a loss of 6¾ cents from the high point Wednesday, when the cancellation sales were announced. September finished today at $1.05⅝.

James A. Patten, who bought on Friday, was said to have sold today and to have said the foreign cancellations might be due to lack of money to pay for the wheat next month or to the expectation of buying later at lower prices.

Rumors were current again on the Board of Trade that the steamer Corinthian had been attacked by a submarine and that the steamer had been beached near the mouth of the St. Lawrence River. These reports could not be confirmed, but advices were understood to have been received from Canadian sources, partially confirming this report and also saying that ships scheduled to take on Canadian troops had not loaded.

Unconfirmed reports were current in Board of Trade circles after the close

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Saturday's War Moves

AFFAIRS in the Balkans are approaching a crisis. While diplomatic negotiations are proceeding in an effort to induce states still neutral to cast their lot with one side or the other, the central powers have massed troops on the Balkan frontiers. Their plan, it is supposed, is to force a way through to relieve what is believed to be Turkey's need of shells.

This concentration, which has been followed by an artillery attack on Serbian positions, is really a menace to Bulgaria, which has again refused to permit shells to pass through her territory to Turkey. The Roumanian army already is partly mobilized and four new divisions of reserves now have been called out. Bulgaria has as yet made no move while awaiting the reply of the quadruple entente to her demand that Serbia and Greece concede Macedonia to her in return for her military support. This answer probably will be forthcoming after the meeting of the Greek and Serbian Parliaments next week.

While the Serbians point out what they consider the unfairness of the Bulgarian demand, they show an inclination to make some concessions to obtain the support of their former ally. Greece is more firm in her refusal, but it is believed in some quarters that there may be a change in her policy when ex-Premier Venizelos returns to power, although he has a strong pro-German party opposed to him, and according to a telegram from Berlin last night, King Constantine will offer him the premiership only on the understanding that strict neutrality shall be maintained.

This was the point on which the King and M. Venizelos disagreed when a new Cabinet was appointed and parliament was dissolved. Inasmuch as M. Venizelos was supported by the people at a general election, it was thought the King might fall into line, but the dispatch from Berlin indicates he has not changed his views. Should Bulgaria attack Serbia, however, Greece is bound by treaty obligations to support Serbia as her ally.

With an apparent improvement of the Russian situation on the eastern front, there are renewed expressions of confidence in the allied countries. The Russians declare they are continuing to drive the Germans back from Riga and west of Dvinsk, and still are keeping them away from the fortress of Kovno. Although the Austro-Germans continue their victorious advance in the center and southwest, the absence of official reports of any mention of the capture of guns or munitions indicates that the towns and positions which are being occupied by the invaders all are evacuated before their arrival.

Field Marshall von Mackensen has resumed his advance between the Vieprz and the Bug after having been delayed for several days by Russian counter attacks, which finally overcame his cavalry, once before driven back several miles from Vladova on the Bug, and again when approaching that town.

The only development on the western front is the German assertion of another local success in the Argonne. The French report declares all attacks were repulsed.

2 LINERS TO USE PACIFIC

Siberia and Corea May Ply Between San Francisco and New York.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The two liners Siberia and Korea, sold yesterday by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to the Atlantic Transport Company, along with the Manchuria, Mongolia and China, probably will continue to sail from San Francisco, running between here and New York, it was announced today. The Manchuria and Mongolia probably will be used in the Atlantic trade.

The five vessels will operate in the several services of the International Mercantile Marine Company, of which the Atlantic Transport Company is one of several subsidiaries.

The probable use of the vessels was told in a message received here today by T. H. Larke, general passenger agent of the International Mercantile Marine Company from P. A. S. Franklin, of New York, vice-president of the company.

CAR MAN KILLED BY WOMAN AUTO DRIVER

Mrs. Turner Arrested, but No Charge Filed.

J. P. GATES ACCIDENT VICTIM

Wife of Automobile Man Becomes Hysterical.

35-MILE SPEED CHARGED

Sergeant Ellis, Who Made Arrest, Finds Impact of Collision Knocks Victim About 20 Feet. Auto Slides 230 Feet.

J. P. Gates, a streetcar conductor, who lives at 336 East Forty-second street North, was killed almost instantly last night, when he was knocked down by an automobile driven by Mrs. W. T. Turner, 429 East Twenty-first street North, at East Twenty-eighth street and Sandy boulevard.

Mrs. Turner was sent to the police station by Sergeant Ellis, who asserted that the automobile was going 35 miles an hour at the time of the accident. No charge was placed against Mrs. Turner last night.

Victim Knocked 20 Feet.

Mr. Gates had just stepped out of a store and walked into the street from behind a woodpile. The automobile was coming towards the business section of the city.

The impact of the collision knocked Mr. Gates about 20 feet. The body fell across the car track, and directly in front of an inbound Rose City car. The car stopped with the fender only a few inches from the body.

Mrs. Turner threw on the brakes and locked the rear wheels of the automobile. The car slid, and continued after Gates had been knocked down. Sergeant Ellis, who witnessed the accident, said that he stepped off the distance the car slid, and that it was about 230 feet.

Woman Becomes Hysterical.

Mrs. Turner became hysterical. Her husband, who was with her in the machine, hurried back to aid the injured man.

Dr. Hynson, of the Corbett building, was in the inbound streetcar. He jumped off and administered first aid. He said that Mr. Gates had a fractured skull, four broken ribs, and that both of the man's legs were fractured.

With the aid of Sergeant Ellis and Patrolman Crane, the physician carried Mr. Gates into the home of L. F. Rydberg, 871 Sandy boulevard. He died about six minutes after he was struck.

Mr. Gates was about 40 years old. He is survived by a widow and one son, aged 10 years. The body was taken to the morgue by Deputy Coroner Smith.

W. T. Turner is the office manager of the White Automobile Company.

ITALIANS PREPARING COUP

New General Attack to Be Made on Plateau of Carso.

UDINE, Italy, Aug. 14, via Paris, Aug. 15.—General Cadorna, the Italian commander-in-chief, has virtually completed preparations for a new general attack on the Austrians along the Isonzo River, according to information received from the front.

These operations are intended to result in the occupation of the Carso plateau, which, it is expected, would lead to the early fall of Gorizia, leaving the road open for the march to Trieste.

SOME WARTIME EVENTS IN THE PAST WEEK'S NEWS INSPIRE THE PEN OF CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.