

POWER OF T. R. LIES IN ARMY, NAVY ISSUE

If Administration Follows Preparation Programme Outlined, Sting Is Lost.

POLITICAL COURSE VAGUE

Opinion Prevails That Attacks Begun in Plattsborg Speech Will Be Continued Even if Military Action Satisfies People.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 4.—The opinion prevails in the East that Colonel Roosevelt having succeeded in "getting a rise" out of the Administration by his Plattsborg speech, will continue to criticize and condemn the Administration, and give a political turn to the military issue, which is to be foremost before the next Congress.

For several weeks the Colonel has been voicing his disapproval of various acts of the Administration, but at Plattsborg he turned to criticizing the Administration for failing to act, and that, evidently, is to be his line of attack from this time forward.

How Colonel Roosevelt's controversy with the Wilsonian will affect his political course next year is not yet evident. After his trip to the Pacific Coast he announced his purpose to "enroll" as a Progressive, but in the same breath spoke most kindly of those Progressives who had returned to the Republican fold.

Democrat Defeat One Desire. It is no secret that the Colonel, so far as the next campaign is concerned, first of all desires to see the defeat of the Democratic party. Whether he believes that can be accomplished by uniting the opposition against the Administration on the issue of preparedness, or whether he has some other object in view, is not yet plain. But it is quite apparent that the Colonel desires to make preparedness a political issue.

The announcement has been made from various official sources that the President will recommend to Congress, when it reconvenes, the enlargement of the Army and the Navy, and the better equipment of both branches of the service, but just what the details of the Administration programme are to be has not yet been disclosed.

If the Administration puts forward a military programme that is not sufficiently progressive, and that fails to meet with popular approval, and if Colonel Roosevelt can point out the glaring deficiencies in this programme, he will have an issue.

But he has served notice on the Administration, and virtually has given notice that the military programme must be comprehensive, or it, and the Administration, will be attacked.

Issue Lies in Extent of Programme. Once Colonel Roosevelt delivers a broadside against the Administration's programme—if he does deliver such a broadside—there will be men in Congress in the minority party, as well as the few remaining Progressives, who will take the Colonel's end of the argument, and contribute to the issue of those which emanate from Oyster Bay, and in this way the issue may be made political.

But no such attack can be made and maintained if the Administration's programme comes up to the advance notices.

Notice having been served, the Administration can now rob the Colonel of his thunder, or it can play into his hands. The probabilities are that no matter what the Administration recommends, the Colonel will contend the President has not gone far enough.

But it will be possible for the President to go far enough to meet with popular approval, and if he does that, the Colonel will have difficulty in making the country believe the Administration is not in favor of placing the United States in a condition of preparedness.

GRAIN RATE TO BE LOWER Commerce Commission Grants Permit for Special Tariffs Along Coast.

INDIANS RECEIVE \$72,000 Quintalut Salmon Run Big Where White Fishermen Are Forbidden.

TROOPS KILL 10 MEXICANS (Continued From First Page.)

firing began they were constantly maneuvering through the brush, continuing until they had spread up and down a river bank for a distance of two miles. When the Mexicans opened fire it was returned by the troopers, who were soon joined by rangers from Mission. Word also was sent to Mission and Captain McCoy and the remainder of the two troops of cavalry went to reinforce the small detachment near Hidalgo.

So far as has been reported to Fort Brown, no more members of the gang which killed Smith and Donaldson have been accounted for. The number stands at seven, the last one having been killed early last night.

Civilian Blocks Mexicans. This afternoon a band of 12 Mexicans were reported south of San Benito. A detachment of cavalry was sent out in search and it soon developed that the Mexicans were headed for the Rio Grande.

Port Brown then notified a detachment of infantry hidden in an advantageous point near the Rio Grande, five miles from Brownsville, that the band probably would come in that direction. Simultaneously a detachment of cavalry under Lieutenant Grittenberger left Brownsville for the vicinity of the hidden infantrymen. The cavalry reached the vicinity just in time to prevent the Mexicans from crossing, but a civilian spotted the band and fired a shot.

The Mexicans made their escape and hid in the brush. At sundown, as the cavalry and infantry were being stationed along the bank of the river to cut off crossing, five of the band were seen and 12 are known to be there. Fighting was expected momentarily tonight.

Troops to Be Moved. Headquarters of the lower border patrol will be shifted Sunday from Brownsville to Harlingen, 26 miles north of here. Colonel Robert L. Bullard, of the 8th Infantry, will be in command. The 8th Infantry will be concentrated at Harlingen and will be replaced at Fort Brown by the Fourth Infantry, due to arrive Sunday from Texas City.

The territory immediately around Brownsville will be guarded by the Fourth Infantry, two squadrons of the Third Cavalry and two batteries of artillery, one a howitzer and one a rifle battery.

NEWSBOYS' FRAUD BANNED

Police Get Orders to Stop Yelling of False News. Newsboys whose petty grafting through the shouting of misleading sensational news has aroused scores of complaints from Portland residents, will get a severe jolt if they continue their practices, according to orders issued to the police by Chief Clark yesterday.

The latest offense that has brought complaints to the police bureau was committed by three boys Friday night, who visited residence sections of the city yelling "Extra."

These were not the first complaints of such petty swindles, and the newspaper publishers, as well as customers, have appealed to the police to have it stopped.

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED

(Continued From First Page.) take measures to prevent disorder and menacing expressions against those favoring the American policies.

It is said by officials that under martial law the Navy's functions will be limited to maintenance of order and collection of customs, if the presence of at least. There will be no displacement of or interference with the civil government unless British politicians make an issue. On the other hand, it is expected there will be no further delay in consideration by the Haitian Congress of the treaty which still is in the hands of the Haitian Minister of Foreign Affairs.

As soon as favorable action has been taken on the treaty a modus vivendi will be arranged whereby the United States will be empowered immediately to organize a native constabulary under American officers and to regulate the republic's finances.

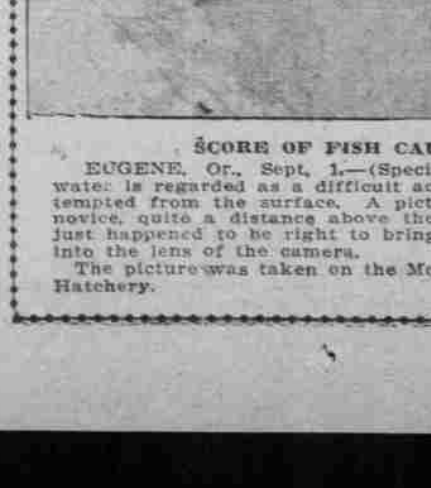
POWER TAKEN FROM SOUTH

(Continued From First Page.) lical complexion of the next House entirely. The Republicans then would have had a majority of 28 votes.

The Republican organization here is confident that Colorado, which went Democratic by 339 in the last election; Nevada, which went Democratic by 28 votes; and Wisconsin, which was carried by the Democrats by a bare 217 votes, will come back to the Republican column in 1918.

With the Proceeds. Times-Plenium. "So Tom soaked his watch. What did he get on it?" "Soaked."

NOVICE ACCOMPLISHES UNUSUAL FEAT OF PHOTOGRAPHING UNDER WATER.



PRESIDENT ASKS IF PEACE IS DESIRED

Ambassadors to Find Out if Belligerent Nations Want America to Mediate.

POPE'S PLAN NOT ACCEPTED

President Does Not Propose to Proffer Good Offices Unless Assured That One or More Combatants Request Action.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—President Wilson took the first step today to ascertain whether a formal offer of mediation by the United States Government would be welcomed by the European belligerents.

The State Department sent a cable message to Ambassador Page at London to report the opinion of the reception that would be accorded by Great Britain in a mediation proposal by the President.

A similar cable message was dispatched to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. The understanding in official circles is that the same inquiry will be addressed to the American Ambassadors at Petrograd, Paris, Rome and Constantinople.

Officially it was denied that the President has agreed upon the suggestion of Pope Benedict that he undertake the task of bringing about peace in Europe at this time. Officially this is the fact, for the President does not propose to proffer his good offices unless one or more of the belligerents should give him unquestionable reason to believe that his services as mediator are desired.

Unless one or more of the warring nations is ready to propose peace and desires to make the United States Government the channel of the overtures, it is probable that no publicity will be given the results of the inquiries directed to American Ambassadors abroad.

Friends of the President say that his action in this instance is not novel because he has kept informed of peace prospects throughout the progress of the war by communication with the United States representatives in the capitals of the belligerents.

Officials representing the allies here say that if the President were to propose peace formally at this time he would be playing Germany's game.

RIDER SUCCORS VICTIM

One-Eyed Baker Boy Bicyclist Injures Grand Army Man. BAKER, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—After running down E. A. Buck, a Grand Army veteran, and causing possible fatal injuries, 16-year-old William Christensen threw his wheel to one side and gunning his bicycle.

EX-WIFE DENIES FIRE GUILT

Pendleton Woman Released Under \$300 Bail After Pleading. PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Protesting that she is wholly innocent of the charge of setting fire to the property of her divorced husband, Ira Hughes, at Meacham, Mrs. Edith Hughes was taken before Circuit Judge G. W. Phelps today on a bench warrant.

She pleaded not guilty to the indictment for arson returned and was released under \$300 bail. Mrs. Hughes, who has been employed in a Pendleton laundry since her divorce, declares she knows nothing of the cause of the fire at Meacham Monday night, which threatened to become a grave danger.

J. C. Watterson, an Atchison, Kan., tailor, takes a man's measurements and remember every bit of it without putting down a figure. He often cuts a suit from memory.

Store Closed Monday, Labor Day. HERE'S AN OUTFIT At a Price That Defies Competition! You'll like every article in this New Home outfit. Nine out of ten customers buy it just as it stands. It fits so perfectly into the average apartment. Without question it is one of the most popular that we have ever sold. You know Edwards have been selling home outfits for over 37 years. That is proof positive that we know pretty well what folks want. All the designs are new. There is quality and expert workmanship in every article. And the Price \$159.50 \$15 Cash \$10 Month

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Wonderful Values in Edwards' Bargain Exchange \$8.00 All-Steel Coil Springs, full size \$3.75 now for \$3.75 \$10.00 Felt Mattresses \$3.75 now for \$3.75 \$18.00 Silk Floss Mattress for \$5.00 now for \$5.00 \$12.50 Kitchen Cabinet \$6.75 now for \$6.75 \$5.50 Best Spring-Edge Denim Couch \$4.95 now for \$4.95 \$12.50 Oak Book case \$5.00 now for \$5.00 \$11.00 Hardwood Dining Table \$6.00 now for \$6.00 \$12.00 Oak Dining Table \$7.50 now for \$7.50 \$18.00 Reliable Gas Water Heater, oil heated \$10.00 now for \$10.00 \$27.50 Set Six Padded Oak Leather-Seat Dining Chairs now for \$22.50 \$4.50 White Wool Blankets for \$2.25 \$2.00 a yard Injaid Linoleum at the yard \$1.00 \$6.00 a yard Japanese Matting now for \$1.00

Iron Beds, Full Size and Three-Quarters, Worth \$6.25, \$7.00, \$7.50 and \$8.00 on Sale While They Last for \$3.75 Eighteen samples of Iron Beds in white or Vernis Martin. Worth regular up to \$8.00. Now on sale at \$3.75 at choice for \$3.75

Store Closed Monday, Labor Day

AUCTION IS SUCCESS First Barrel of Apples Sold on Block Gets High Prices. MARKET RISES AS RESULT Figures Paid by Bidders for Grade A Run Considerably Higher at Auction Than at Sales Made in Market Previously.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Commissioner Dillon of New York has won the first fall in the wrestle with the large receiving jobbers over the barrel apple business of New York state. The auctions which have taken place in New York during the last three days have set up the price on barreled apples 15 to 33 per cent.

MISSOURI JURIST DEAD Judge John C. Brown, of Supreme Court, Succumbs to Illness. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 4.—Judge John C. Brown, of the Missouri Supreme Court, died this morning at St. Luke's Hospital here.

AUCTION IS SUCCESS (Continued) The lowest price at the auction was \$2.70 a barrel for grade A, and most orchards' products were sold from \$2.80 to \$3.25 a barrel for grade A. Some orchards sold apples of grade A and grade B combined, receiving \$2.75 a barrel.

LABOR FORCES TO MEET BRITISH WORKINGMEN TO DISCUSS WAR QUESTIONS. Stand at Monday's Convention Expected to Be Indorsement of Vigorous Prosecution of Conflict. LONDON, Sept. 4.—The Parliament of Labor, which will assemble in Bristol Monday in annual session promises to be one of the most momentous gatherings in the history of the trades union movement of this country. The convention, which will represent nearly 5,000,000 organized workmen, will take up many questions of large importance, but public attention will be focused on three points.

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