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## UNITED STATES PREPARES FOR MEXICAN MENACE TO FOREIGNERS

Conditions in Diaz's Country Said to Be Worse Than Reported.

OUTBREAK SPREADS TO MANY SECTIONS

Mobilization of American Forces Is Preparation For Emergencies.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—The real significance of the sudden mobilization of the Army and Naval forces on the Mexican frontier and in waters adjacent to the international boundary is gradually leaking out in Washington. From various sources yet without the possibility of official verification credible admissions are obtained which pieced together with known facts make up a whole that goes far to substantiate the interpretation placed by the public on the great movement of military forces in progress.

It is said that about the time of the return to Washington of Henry Lane Wilson, ambassador of the United States to Mexico, the United States government had received advices indicating the increasing unrest in Mexico and that the revolution notwithstanding the assertions of Mexicans to the contrary had extended in many directions. The whole country was said to be in a critical condition which was made more serious by health of President Diaz.

There is known to be no little anti-American feeling among the Mexicans generally and it was feared that the developments at any moment might precipitate a chaotic condition with probable demonstration against foreigners. This alleged state of affairs, it is said, was discussed with deep concern at the White House with the result that the suggestion was made that it be the part of forethought to concentrate near the Mexican border sufficient troops to meet any situation that might arise. This movement was to take the form of maneuvers and all parties to the plan sincerely hoped that nothing else would be necessary.

The interpretation which was instantly placed on the move by the newspapers and people of the country, it is said, have disconcerted the administration and the President and his advisers have hastened to relieve the tension of feeling in this country and in Mexico by an emphatic declaration of the harmless intent of the movement.

Meanwhile accurate information of the real condition of affairs in Mexico and especially of the health of President Diaz are awaited in Washington with intense interest.

### EXTORTION IS CHARGED.

Douglas County Man Arrested For Serious Crime.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Mar. 9.—Accused of the crime of extortion, for which offense he can either be prosecuted by the state or government officials, W. J. Scott, of Edenbauer, was arrested by Sheriff George Quine and Deputy Sheriff Sam Starmer and now languishes in the county jail awaiting disposition at the hands of the proper officers.

Specifically, Scott is accused of having written a letter to Antone Gallagher, a well-to-do farmer residing near Dixonville, in which he attempted to extort from him the sum of \$250 under the penalty of killing his family and burning the ranch buildings.

"Just In"—Smart hats in great profusion. Trimmed and semi-trimmed hats. All the spring styles will be in evidence at the preliminary showing at our store on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. This showing embodies all the correct styles and the prices are moderate.

CLARKE MILLINERY.

## ROSEBURG IS GIVEN FAIR

Marshfield Given Option of Taking District Exhibit in 1913.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Mar. 9.—At a meeting of the directors of the Second Southern Oregon District Agricultural society, held at the office of the secretary, Attorney F. G. Micelli, it was decided to hold the next annual fair in Roseburg, commencing on September 26 and continuing until late in the evening of September 30. Of the directors present at the meeting, four voted to hold the next exhibition in Roseburg, while two cast their ballots in favor of Eugene.

Concluding the above business the following officers were elected to serve the society during the ensuing year: C. W. Parrott, president; Amos Wilkins, first vice-president; F. P. Norton, second vice-president; R. E. Smith, secretary; C. W. Clark, assistant secretary; J. H. Booth, treasurer.

Upon electing officers the following committees were then selected, and will serve in conjunction with the newly elected officers during the next twelve months:

Executive Committee—C. W. Parrott, Amos Wilkins and W. W. Cardwell.

Finance Committee—C. W. Parrott, Amos Wilkins and W. W. Cardwell.

Printing Committee—C. W. Parrott and R. E. Smith.

Among those present at the meeting were Charles Parrott, W. W. Cardwell and F. E. Alley of Roseburg, and E. E. Hillis of Eugene, representing H. F. Hollenbeck, Messrs. F. P. Norton of Marshfield; Amos Wilkins of Eugene, and Hardy Stewart of Curry county, were represented by Mr. Alley, who held the necessary proxies.

Eugene will get the fair in 1912, and it will be optional with Coos county to hold the fair at Marshfield in 1913, if they so desire.

The legal formalities having been complied with, the County Court will this week transfer the formal title of the fair grounds near this city to the Roseburg Park & Fair Association. The city will then probably assist in fitting up a portion of the grounds as a public park.

## DENY RUMOR OF DIAZ' DEATH

President of Mexico Is Said to Be Enjoying Good Health Now.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Mar. 9.—Rumors of the death of President Diaz were in circulation today but the Associated Press correspondent telegraphed from Mexico City last night that he saw the President last night and apparently he was in good health.

### MILLINERY OPENING.

Mrs. A. G. Alken will open her complete line of spring and summer millinery March 9, at her new store in the Coos building.

For BUICK auto service PHONE 34-J before 6 P. M. and CG-J at night

After the show try a Turkish bath Phone 214-J.

## TROOPS ARE RAPIDLY GATHERING

Mobilization of Army and Navy On Mexican Frontier Proceeding Without a Hitch.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—Still under the guise of peaceful maneuvers, the advance of the Army toward the southern frontier of the United States is proceeding in perfect order. Innumerable telegrams are being received by General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, reporting that his sudden orders flashed from

the capital only three days ago are being carried out with rapidity and precision. Telegraphic advices indicate all the men ordered out are now moving rapidly southward with ample commissary and ammunition supplies.

The Navy like the Army is carrying out its part of the operations without any semblance of a hitch. The real purpose of the unprecedented movement of soldiers, sailors and marines is still enshrouded in mystery. Official Washington insists that the movement is a technical military experiment and that it has no relation to the Mexican situation.

## ELKS CHOOSE NEW OFFICERS

Annual Election of Marshfield Lodge Was Held Last Night.

Marshfield Lodge, No. 1160, B. P. O. E., last night unanimously elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Exalted Ruler—C. F. McKnight.  
Leading Knight—W. R. Haines.  
Loyal Knight—J. W. Hildenbrand  
Lecturing Knight—W. H. Kennedy  
Secretary—Geo. Goodrum.  
Treasurer—W. N. Ekblad.  
Tyler—D. Y. Stafford.  
Trustee for three years—M. C. Smith.

## FINE RANCH SOLD TODAY

Jas Culley and Geo. Gettins Buy John Messerle Place For \$20,000.

A deal was closed today whereby the John Messerle ranch on Catching Inlet becomes the property of Jas Culley and Geo. Gettins. The tract consists of 221 acres and the purchase price is understood to be \$20,000.

The ranch is one of the best in this section and is finely improved. The purchasers get all the stock and farm machinery, etc. It is six miles from Marshfield.

Mr. Culley recently came here Sanborn, Iowa, and will move on the place shortly with his family. Mr. Messerle is figuring on moving to Coeur d'Alene to re-engage in the steamboat business.

The deal was negotiated by Stutsman and company.

Whenever you bring a wet umbrella into the house, always set it to drip handle down. It dies more quickly that way; otherwise, which is more important to consider, the collected rain-water rusts the hinges and rots the cloth or silk.

## NO ARRESTS FOR ROBBERY

CLUE FOUND IN MYRTLE POINT SAFE BLOWING BUT SUSPECTS HAVE NOT BEEN CAPTURED YET.

MYRTLE POINT, Ore., Mar. 9.—No arrests have been made yet for the Myrtle Point depot safe robbery night before last. However, two itinerant "tinkers" who were here are suspected of possibly having some knowledge of it. They were around town prior to the safe blowing and made various tools in a local blacksmith shop but have not been seen since the robbery. Sheriff Gage and the other officers are working hard on this clue. The robbery did not net the safe blowers more than \$35.

## TALKS TO TAFT ABOUT TROOPS

Mexican Ambassador Assured That United States Is Friendly.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—Mexican Ambassador De La Barra reached Washington from New York today and had a meeting with President Taft. After his interview with the President, the ambassador said, "I talked with the President for some time in regard to the assembling of troops on our frontier and he assured me in a statement made to my government that the assemblage of the army on the southern frontier is purely a matter of maneuvers was the sincere position of the United States. This was quite satisfactory."

"I am convinced that the friendly relations between the United States and Mexico are undisturbed."

### MILLINERY OPENING.

Mrs. A. G. Alken will open her complete line of spring and summer millinery March 9, at her new store in the Coos building.

## Little Talks on Advertising

TALK No. 7

Why is newspaper advertising the most inexpensive of all forms of publicity?

Because the newspaper reaches the greatest number of readers at a minimum cost.

You can't write letters, and address, stamp and seal envelopes at anything like the amount it requires to reach the same number of people through the advertising columns of this paper.

If you doubt that, just get our figures!

This newspaper prints the news—presents it interestingly and intelligently—and is subscribed for by nearly everybody in this vicinity. It goes into the homes—and is thoroughly read by all members of the family—so the easiest and quickest and most direct way to the pocketbooks of the people is by the newspaper route!

(To Be Continued)

## LARGE NUMBER ARE REPORTED SLAIN IN BATTLES IN MEXICO

## MANY ARRIVE ON BREAKWATER

Steamship In Early Today From Portland—New Channel Good.

The Breakwater arrived in early today from Portland after a fairly good trip down the coast. She had a large passenger list and considerable freight.

Capt. Maegenn this morning came up the new channel that has been cut by the Dredge Oregon and reports it to be a very good one.

The Breakwater will sail at 9 o'clock Saturday morning for Portland.

Among those arriving on the Breakwater were the following:

Capt. Ames, Mr. Weldon, J. H. Featherstone, H. Mucklin, J. M. Swisher, G. P. Story, M. Loveland, A. J. Mendel, E. M. Eldredge, Geo. Prouty, Z. Steeler, T. Zaleski, A. Haman, T. Wilson, J. Wilson, H. Wyburn, Joe Agonis, W. Flins, A. Bukowski, P. Wollett P. Neubert, M. Minnie, J. C. Savage, Jno. Pellas, J. Belleu, B. Hutchins, J. E. Lane, L. J. Cody, Miss Noble, S. E. Eddy, C. Armstrong, Mr. Baker, Fred Pine, H. Harris, E. Doran, H. Pinkerton, J. Autrey, Mrs. Autrey, L. Autrey, Miss Autrey, Geo. Buren, E. Nudd, C. B. Haywood, J. Savage, W. B. Mitchell, F. Arnott, E. J. Huard, J. C. Naylor, Geo. Twelmsan, Mrs. Rosmister, F. J. Michael, Mrs. Michael, Master Michael, M. Cary, Mrs. Cary, Miss Schroeder, J. D. Swift, C. J. Swift, L. Totten, Mrs. Totten, C. F. Wagner, A. B. Snyder, Mrs. Hanan, E. Farrin, Wankl, T. Grisko, G. Hallit, Geo. Murray, T. Fawcett, G. Williams, C. Baker, J. M. Fisher, A. J. Sandeker, C. F. Neil, S. Jumper, Mrs. Jumper, Chas. Drummond, Fred Kohlmpe, G. W. Hollister, J. Dingman, Master Dingman, Miss Dingman.

### Was In Collision.

The Breakwater bears traces of the collision with the Johann Poulson on the Columbia river on her last trip up. Capt. Maegenn passed the Poulson and the latter swung in to take Maegenn's course too quickly and rammed the starboard stern of the Breakwater with her prow. The smash was high above the water line of the Breakwater and does not bother her in any way. It will probably be repaired next trip and will be at the expense of the Johann Poulson.

## TWENTY-ONE DIE OF CHOLERA

Twenty-Five More Cases of Plague in Honolulu Are Reported.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HONOLULU, H. T., Mar. 9.—The twenty-fifth case of cholera was reported today. The total of the deaths to date is 21. The afflicted includes 24 Hawaii Islanders and one Portuguese.

### WILL PRINT ENVELOPES.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—By affixing his signature to the contract for the manufacture and printing of stamped envelopes and stamped newspaper wrappers, Postmaster Hitchcock put an end for at least four years to a contest that has waged intermittently for more than a quarter of a century.

Revolutionists Reported Repulsed After Hard Struggle Sunday.

MANY AMERICANS ARE AMONG SLAIN

Insurrecto Junta In El Paso Claims Another Victory For Rebels.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

EL PASO, Mar. 9.—A message to the Herald filed at Casas Grandes, Mexico, March 6, give some particulars of a disastrous defeat suffered by the insurrecto forces under Provisional President Francisco Madero. The battle resulted, according to the dispatch, in the defeat of the rebels after a loss of 200 in killed and wounded and 300 saddle horses, machine guns and 12 wagon loads of supplies and ammunition.

Thirty-six Americans, who were fighting with the insurgents, were taken prisoners.

The Americans were in front of the battle and four were lying dead in one heap soon after the fighting commenced.

The insurgents stood up under cannonading of 12 hours before they retreated.

To offset this report the insurgents in an official report General Louis Torres shows the defeat of the federals at Cumuripa Monday with 150 killed and wounded. General Torres force retreated after the fighting.

## PUT BAN ON HOBBLE SKIRT

Bill Introduced in Illinois Legislature Forbidding New Fashioned Gowns.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Mar. 9.—The hobble and harem skirts are made the subject of legislation in a bill presented to the House today by Representative Murphy of Cook county, "Hobble" skirts measuring less than one and one-half yards and not more than three yards at the bottom are prohibited. An absolute ban is placed upon the Harem skirt by the bill which prohibits any woman appearing in public in the garb.

## TAFT LEAVES FOR GEORGIA

President Goes to Atlanta to Deliver Speech—Absent Until March 21.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—President Taft leaves Washington this afternoon to be away until March 21. He first goes to Atlanta, Ga., where he will make an address tomorrow night before the Southern Commercial Congress.

It is claimed that marriage is a lottery, but it can not be true, else the law would take hold of it.

Women may possibly not know enough to vote, though we don't admit it; but she certainly knows enough not to sell that vote to the first briber who may happen along.