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BATTLE STARTS OVER THE LINE

Villa Forces Draw Nearer to Agua Prieta and First Clash Comes Today

BUILD TRENCHES

United States Troops Engaged Today in Making Trenches for Use in Emergency

WILL CONTROL POSITION

Americans Can Command the East End of Agua Prieta and Also the Advancing Right Wing of Villa's Army—Quiet Last Night

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

DOUGLAS, ARIZ., Nov. 1.—At 1:37 o'clock the battle of Agua Prieta was begun. The guns of the garrison of Agua Prieta opened up at that hour on the rapidly advancing Villa troops near the Slaughter ranch house. The Villa forces halted and began to entrench. None of the shots came nearer than three-quarters of a mile of the American line. Villa gunners returned shot for shot, aiming at the southern salient of the Agua Prieta defenses.

Villa Expects to Win "We expect to take Agua Prieta within two hours," said Capt. Jos. Herrera.

Herrera, at the head of a skirmish line, had stopped at the Slaughter ranch for a moment to fill his canteen with water.

Men Beg for Water Scores of soldiers begged for water, saying they had none since last night. Villa skirmishers continued to advance steadily and at 1:35 o'clock were within rifle shot of the Agua Prieta defenses.

Villa With Cavalry In a line several miles long, Villa's foot, horse and artillery moved toward Agua Prieta. Villa accompanied the cavalry on the right flank.

Along the line of march, Villa's troops passed the lines of the American trenches, a short distance from the border, filled with United States troops.

Four Babies Born Four babies were born on two of the troop trains which early today brought reinforcements to Agua Prieta from Eagle Pass. Two of the babies were twins. The mothers accompanied their husbands into the trenches.

Firing Gets Close Two shells apparently from the Callas forces passed over company I. Eighteenth Infantry on the American side near the line east of Douglas. These shells apparently were aimed at Villa reserves stationed half a mile east of the Slaughter ranch house.

Endanger Custom House One Villa shell burst in Agua Prieta within 50 yards of the United States customs house at 2:15 p. m. Villa shells began to burst in Agua Prieta shortly before 2 o'clock.

Houses Are Destroyed Dozens of houses on the west side of the town went to dust and a number of people were killed and wounded.

EARLIER REPORTS

At Dawn Villa Faces Stalwart Unit At Dawn Villa Forces Are Nearing The City

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] DOUGLAS, ARIZ., Nov. 1.—Dawn disclosed that the forces of Villa had moved closer to Agua Prieta during the night for the expected attack upon the Carranza garrison commanded by General Calles. The night passed quietly. Early today United States soldiers began digging trenches well inside the line already constructed. They are so situated as to control the eastern end of Agua Prieta, as well as the advancing right wing of Villa's army. It is understood that these trenches are for emergency in case the American troops are compelled to fall back.

First Clash Comes. The advancing main body of the Villa army came in contact with the Carranza forces defending Agua

WED IN DECEMBER

PRESIDENT WILL BE MARRIED NEAR CLOSE OF DECEMBER

Affair Will Be Private and Will Take Place at Mrs. Galt's Home.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—It was formally announced today at the White House that the marriage of President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt will take place "near the close of December," and will be private and at Mrs. Galt's home here.

SHOCK REGISTERED

SEISMOGRAPH SHOWS EARTHQUAKE LASTED THREE HOURS

Roughly Estimated That It Was Four Thousand Miles from the National Capital

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—A series of severe earth shocks were reported by the Georgetown University's seismograph here this morning, which lasted about three hours. The disturbance was roughly estimated at 4000 miles away from Washington.

COMPLY WITH LAW

SHIP OWNERS GET READY FOR NEW SEAMAN'S ACT

Only One Vessel at New York is Withdrawn From Service Because of Law

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Virtually all the steamship companies operating American-owned steamers out of New York made arrangements to comply with the new seaman's law which becomes operative Thursday. As far as is known, only one steamer was withdrawn from service because of the new requirements.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY

REAR ADMIRAL LITTLE BEFORE COURT MARTIAL

Is Accused of Neglect When He Was Inspector of Building of Submarine K-2.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BOSTON, Nov. 1.—Rear Admiral William N. Little, retired, pleaded not guilty before a naval court martial today to the charges of neglect and careless methods while on duty as inspection officer during the construction of the submarine K-2, at the Fore River Shipbuilding Company's yard.

Prieta at 9:45 this morning. The Carranza outposts opened fire and then fell back to the trenches surrounding the Mexican town. Villa moved his entire force, estimated at about 15,000 men under cover of a dense haze of the Douglas copper smelter smoke. The first clash occurred about three miles east of Agua Prieta.

Villa Appears. Villa himself, with four officers came to the American line to get his bearings of the boundary line. "Do you expect to take Agua Prieta today?" a United States army staff officer asked.

"Sure, Mike," replied Villa, grinning broadly.

The United States officers do not believe, however, that he intends to attack in earnest until tomorrow.

Is Given Assurance. Villa inquired whether the United States intended to help Calles's troops, in view of the fact that the American government had recognized Carranza and assisted his reinforcements to reach Agua Prieta.

He was assured the American forces would treat both sides alike. There must be no firing across the line, he was told. Villa said he did not intend to fire across the line. For this reason he wanted to get his bearings on the boundary.

"HOWDY PAP!" Sullivan says eats, Tomorrow night. Everybody come. Times Went Ads for results.

CHINA LIKELY TO BE EMPIRE

Information Leads to Belief That Monarchical Idea Will Win in the Election

IS EXPECTED SOON

Announcement of Change of Government May Come Before End of Present Year

U. S. TAKES NO ACTION

Refrains From Taking Any Steps at This Stage and So Informs Japan, Great Britain and Russia—Official News Received

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—Information from official sources in China makes it appear that the triumph of the monarchical idea in the elections now in progress in China is almost certain. It is possible a change in the form of government will be announced before the end of the year. The Washington government has decided to refrain from action at this stage and so informed Great Britain, Japan and Russia.

REJECTS PROPOSAL

CHINA WILL NOT POSTPONE DECISION FOR A CHANGE

Notice is Given to the Representatives of Japan, Great Britain and Russia in China

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] PEKING, Nov. 1.—The Chinese government today rejected the proposals of Japan, Great Britain and Russia for a postponement of the decision whether a monarchical form of government is to be re-established. Tsao Yulin, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, called at the British, Russian and Japanese legations and informed each Minister that the Chinese government had been advised by provincial officials that they would be able to maintain tranquility in the event of the re-establishment of a monarchy. He thanked the powers for their friendly interests in China. He said the decision concerning the change in the form of government was wholly in hands of the people, and therefore it was impossible to adopt the suggestion for a postponement.

LAW KNOCKED OUT

ARIZONA ANTI-ALIEN ACT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Such is the Decision Handed Down Today by the Supreme Court at Washington

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—The Arizona anti-alien labor law was today declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. The Arizona law was enacted by the initiative vote of the people and made it unlawful for any employer of more than five persons to employ less than 80 per cent of qualified electors or citizens.

Moose Will Go.—Several members of the local Moose Lodge are intending to go to Coquille Wednesday to attend the installation of the new lodge there that evening and the initiation of some 60 or 70 members. O. S. Torrey, of this city, worked at Coquille for some time, getting a membership for the new lodge. If the weather permits the running of the auto stages it is expected that many members from the local lodge will be in attendance.

Council to Meet.—There is a meeting of the City Council this evening in the city hall. It was said today that nothing of importance will come before the members, but there is a grist of bills and routine business to be attended to.

Suit is Dismissed.—Suit which was filed some time ago in the equity court by the Steinfeld Company, of Phoenix, Arizona, versus E. E. Kelty has been dismissed and settled.

RIDDER DIES TODAY

PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY AT HOME IN NEW YORK

Was Treasurer of Democratic National Committee and Also the Publisher of a Newspaper

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Herman Ridder, treasurer of the democratic national committee and publisher of the New York Staats Zeitung, died suddenly late today at his home here.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

ST. LOUIS PUBLISHER SHOT HIMSELF IN BATHROOM

Edward L. Preetorius is Victim and Was President of German-American Press Association

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] ST. LOUIS, Nov. 1.—Edward L. Preetorius, publisher of the St. Louis Times, committed suicide today. Preetorius, who was president of the German-American Press Association, which publishes The Times and the Westliche Post, was found dead in his bath room where he shot himself. He had been in poor health since an auto accident last January.

ARE NEGOTIATING

GERMANY AND UNITED STATES DISCUSS THE LUSITANIA

Question of Indemnity for Lives Lost on the Arabic Also Taken Up for Consideration.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—Negotiations between Germany and the United States regarding the sinking of the Lusitania and other questions pending between the two nations, will be resumed tomorrow when Ambassador Von Bernstorff will call upon Secretary Lansing at the State Department. The question of indemnity for the Americans lost in the sinking of the Arabic is still unsettled and probably will be taken up.

WOMAN PULLS GUN

MRS. FRED NIEME ATTEMPTS TO PROTECT HERSELF

Loses a Tooth in Melee and Spouse Must Answer Assault and Battery Charge—Case Up Tomorrow

Attacked by her husband from whom she is getting a divorce, shortly after noon today Mrs. Fred Nieme drew a revolver and pointed it at him. He caught her, knocked out a tooth and wrested the gun from his wife when he was arrested by Duncan Ferguson. Nieme is held on the charge of assault and battery and must appear tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock before Judge Butler.

Says Threats Made. Mrs. Nieme told the officers that she made a date to meet her husband near the juncture of Broadway and Front streets. He came, it is stated, and called her names. The woman ran and it was when being pursued that she drew the gun. She said that he had made threats to kill her and she was afraid to meet him without being armed.

Nieme was put under \$20 bonds. He has been working in the camp at Blue Ridge.

INVITED TO COME

Wire Sent to Prominent Man Now in Portland

Edward F. Frefz, field secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, of Washington, D. C., is now in Portland conferring with the chamber there. The Marshfield Chamber of Commerce has wired Mr. Frefz asking that he make a visit to Coos Bay. It is expected some answer will be heard tomorrow. It was promised by the body that the next time they had a field secretary on the coast Marshfield would be included in the places visited.

Don't forget the Band Masquerade dance at Eagles Hall Saturday night Nov. 6. Prizes now on display at Busy Corner Drug Store.

FALL OF NISH CERTAIN NOW

Germans Will Also Get Control of Railroad From Belgrade to Constantinople

CAPTURE ARSENAL

Germans Have Taken Big Serbian Institution and With Bulgarians are Closing In

BRITISH ARE IN TRENCHES

Only News From Western Front is Capture of Tahure Hill by German Force—Drive at Riga is Reported Gaining

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] LONDON, Nov. 1.—The fall of Nish and the complete German control of the railroad from Belgrade to Constantinople is imminent. Sofia announced today that the Bulgarian artillery has advanced from Kulaevac and has begun a bombardment of the exterior forts of Nish.

Arsenal Captured. Kraguyevatz, at which is located the great Serbian arsenal, has been taken by the Germans. The Teutonic and Bulgarian armies are closing in on the Serbians along the entire front. The British troops whose movements have been kept a secret, are now in trenches with the Serbians, at grips with the Bulgarians, just across the frontier near Strumitsa.

Berlin announces more than 40,000 prisoners were captured on the Russian and Serbian fronts during October.

In the west, the recapture of Tahure hill by the Germans sums up for the present the known result of a sudden spurt of heavy fighting in Champagne.

Without Results. Paris reports a continuance of fighting at Butte De Tahure without material results. In the east Berlin reports that the Germans are driving at Riga from the west and have gained ground.

BUY FRIZEEN STORE

EMIL GABRIELSON AND J. Q. JARVIS TAKE OVER NEWSTAND

Form New Partnership—Palace Meat Market to Move Into Russell Building Soon

Emil Gabrielson and J. Q. Jarvis have about concluded negotiations for the purchase of the August Frizeen newstand, stationery, confectionery and notion store on Central Avenue. They will take possession soon, probably.

Mr. Frizeen is disposing of the store in order to devote his entire attention to his growing real estate and insurance business and to foreign steamship agencies. Mel Duncan is associated with him in the letter and they will move to a new office as soon as the present deal is concluded.

Mr. Gabrielson has been with the Norton & Hansen Company for several years and has won many friends by accommodating ways and genial personality. Mr. Jarvis has been with the Red Cross Company for some time and is quite well known on the Bay. They will make a strong team and plan to develop and enlarge the business. They will retain the present quarters.

PALACE MARKET MOVES

N. J. Oswald, proprietor of the Palace Meat Market, today closed a two years lease on the store room in the Russell building on Central Avenue, adjoining the Sanitary Food Store. He will move his meat market there from Broadway, near Commercial, in a few days.

Mr. Oswald plans to make the new market one of the most sanitary and up-to-date as possible. The new quarters are not quite as large as he desired for the fine market he had planned but he will arrange for other quarters for sidelines of the business.

Since purchasing the Palace Meat Market a year ago, Mr. Oswald has won a high place in local business circles.

The Palace will be the only meat market on Central Avenue. N. J. Oswald Leases Room in Russell Building for Fine Meat Market

BULGARS REPULSED

ATTEMPTED ATTACK TO DISLodge FRENCH IS FAILURE

Allies Succeeded in Driving Many of the Bulgarians into the River in Fight.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] SALONIKI, Nov. 1.—An attempt was made yesterday by the Bulgarians to dislodge the French troops from the northernmost position in Serbia, met with failure. A few advanced posts, scouting in the direction of Veles, retired before the Bulgarian attack, to their base at Kriivolak, where the French drove many Bulgarians troops into the river.

TANKER STRANDED

STANDARD OIL BOAT LLAMA IS TROUBLE

Part of Crew Landed and Others With the Captain Are Standing by the Vessel

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] KIRKWALL, Orkney Island, Nov. 1.—The American tank steamer Llama was stranded yesterday on Skae Skerries. Twenty-seven members of the crew landed. The remainder, with the captain, are standing by the vessel. The steamer is owned by the Standard Oil Company.

ANOTHER ARRESTED

SIXTH MAN INVOLVED IN VESSEL EXPLOSION PLOT

Name is Englebert Bronkorst and it is Alleged He Furnished the Explosives

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—A man who is alleged to have furnished some of the explosives with which the government charges Robert Fay, who alleged he lately served in the German army, and his associates who expected to blow up ships laden with munitions from this country to the allies, was arrested here today by the secret service. The prisoner, Englebert Bronkorst, is the sixth defendant to be arrested.

SUBMARINE SUNK

FRENCH FIGHTING BOAT DESTROYED BY TURKS

All the Crew Including Two Officers and Twenty-four Men Made Prisoners

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BERLIN, (Wireless to Sayville) Nov. 1.—The French submarine Torquoise was sunk by Turkish artillery fire, an official Turkish statement dated Oct. 31 announces. The entire crew, comprising two officers and 24 men, were made prisoners.

A BRITISH STEAMER SUNK AND CREW SAVED

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] LONDON, Nov. 1.—The British steamer Toward, 390 tons gross, has been sunk, and the crew was saved.

Is O. A. C. Athlete.—Henry Heidenrich, a member of the State University Quartet that sang here last spring, and for the past four years prominent athlete at Eugene, has entered the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis to take a course in the department of industrial arts. After the attendance there of one year he will be able to compete in Northwest college track meets. He is noted for his discus, shot and javelin throwing abilities.

Baptist Meeting.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Marshfield Baptist church will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the church. All members are requested to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

Don't forget the Band Masquerade dance at Eagles Hall Saturday night Nov. 6. Prizes now on display at Busy Corner Drug Store.

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THINKS SERBIA HAS NO CHANCE

London Newspaper Man Says Situation in That Country is Very Desperate One

ARMY IS ISOLATED

Could Retire to Adriatic Coast Outside of Her Own Territory as Only Hope

ITALY COULD GIVE AID

Say That the Austro-Germans Will be Able to Reach Constantinople Within a Week—Thinks Allies Will Win in the End

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] ROME, Nov. 1.—Colonel A. Acourt Repington, military correspondent of the London Times, declared in an interview that the situation in Serbia is desperate. With her army completely isolated, he said, her only chance of safety is to retire to the Adriatic coast, outside of its own territory.

Once there, Italy could supply military help or provisions and munitions.

The expedition of the Allies from Saloniki cannot arrive in time to save Serbia, while the Austro-Germans can be in Constantinople within a week. He believes, however, that whatever happens in the Orient, the eventual exhaustion of Germany and Austria will enable the Allies to win.

FRENCH IN SERBIA

TROOPS SENT TO SERBIA COME FROM THE PENINSULA

Composed Mostly of the African Troops and Members of the French Foreign Legion

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BERLIN, Nov. 1, (Wireless to Tuckerton)—The French troops which have arrived in Serbia by way of Saloniki, came from the Gallipoli Peninsula, according to a dispatch from Sofia. The French contingent is composed exclusively of French Chasseurs d'Afrique and the foreign legion.

TWO ARE WOUNDED

MEMBERS MARINE CORPS SHOT BY THE HAITIENS

Attack Made Saturday on the Marine Patrol by the Natives of the Place

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—Corporal Coleman and Private Snodgrass of the Marine Corps, were slightly wounded Saturday at Bahon, Haiti, when the natives fired on the marine patrol.

Complain of Bad Language.—Nils Adamson brought a complaint against Charles Tilton, a fisherman, into the police court this morning, charging that he used profane language and called him names in the National Saloon on Saturday. There were no blows struck. Trouble is said to have grown out of an incident when Adamson reported Tilton for not having lights on his boat at night. Judge Butler dismissed Tilton with a warning not to let it happen again.

New Road Scheme.—In the last issue of Motorroad is the statement of a measure receiving much favor from the road enthusiasts of the United States asking that Congress appropriate \$25,000,000 every 10 years to be expended in building government highways, or to aid the states where extra funds are absolutely necessary.

ELKS DANCE

Don't forget Wednesday evening's dance, Bill, and be right there with wife, mother, sister and sweet-heart. This dance is for Elks only and let's make it a joyous one. Make your engagements now for Wednesday evening. There's a big surprise waiting for you. Come on, Bill!

By order of committee, FRANK W. CATTERLIN, Chairman.