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TROOPS NOT TO OCCUPY TOWNS

American Soldiers Will be Kept on Move All the Time in Mexico

ASSURANCE GIVEN

Statement by Officials at Washington Sets at Rest Anxiety on That Score

AN OBJECTION IS RAISED

Reported the Carranza Commander at Juarez Gave Notice That General Pershing's Men Must Not Occupy Casas Grandes

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 18.—

The American troops pursuing the Villa bandits have no intention and no orders to occupy any city or town during the march into Mexico. This was stated at the White House and the War Department today after the receipt of a report that General Gaviira, Carranza commander at Juarez, had given notice that General Pershing's troops would not be allowed to occupy Casas Grandes or other towns.

FIGHT AT TORREON

VILLA MEN AND CARRANZA SOLDIERS ARE ENGAGED

Details of Result of Battle Which Started Yesterday Are Not Yet Received

TORREON, March 18.—

Fighting has been in progress since early yesterday between the Constitutionalists and Villa forces at Canon Charritos, in Torreon state. News of the outcome has not been received. The Villa commander is said to be Juan Madrid.

RAILROAD NEEDED

FUNSTON WANTS TO SHIP SUPPLIES TO HIS FORCES

Also State Department to Get Permission From Mexican Government to Use Line

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—

The State Department received today from General Funston through the war department a request to arrange with the de facto government of Mexico for permission to ship by rail from El Paso supplies to the expeditionary forces in Mexico.

BANDON-COQUILLE ROAD OPEN IN ABOUT 2 WEEKS

County Commissioner Armstrong Says Repairs Will Be Completed if Weather is Good

WILL WED SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY OF GEO. H. ROTNOR AND MISS ZIEGLER TOMORROW

Well Known Marshfield Couple to Wed Sunday Afternoon—Only Relatives and Friends Invited

According to friends, the marriage of Geo. H. Rotnor and Miss Kittle Ziegler will take place tomorrow afternoon. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ziegler. It will be a quiet affair, only a few close friends and members of the families attending.

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F. D. Fletcher of the Sperry Flour Company, is a personal friend of Mr. Haradon. He wrote to him, explained the situation and the general manager came here to investigate. The result was his announcement this morning. An effort will be made to secure dockage for the vessel at the Smith Terminal dock, said Mr. Fletcher this morning, because this is centrally located.

Keep Regular Schedule According to N. F. Titus, also here with Mr. Haradon, the plan is to have the Tillamook leave Albers Dock No. 3 in Portland every Wednesday and to sail from here on the return trip every Saturday. McCullum & Painter will be the North Bend agents for the boat. The Tillamook was built on Coos Bay by Kruse & Banks.

CRISIS IS OVER

No Fear of Any Trouble Between Two Countries

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) EL PASO, Texas, Mar. 18.—

Villa is in the neighborhood of Las Cruces, 119 miles south of Casas Grandes, according to information received today by General Gaviira, the Carranza commander at Juarez.

In a statement issued today to the Associated Press, it was declared the crisis in the relations between the United States and Mexico was past and that there is no further need to fear trouble.

FUNSTON NOT INFORMED

Has No Official Word of Arrival of Troops

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 18.—

General Funston said he received no official confirmation of the arrival at Casas Grandes of a part of the expeditionary forces, but assumed the correctness of the report. General Pershing's west column under Colonel Dodd, had Casas Grandes as its immediate objective, but its arrival last night was a surprise to those at headquarters who did not believe it likely the distance would be covered quite so quickly. Casas Grandes is about 60 miles, as the crow flies, from the border.

C. R. SMITH HURT BY JOLT IN PULLMAN

Millionaire Lumberman Reported Improving at Spokane Following Serious Accident

SPOKANE, Wn., March 18.—C. R. Smith a millionaire lumberman of Menasha, Wis., is recovering in a local hotel from concussion of the brain, sustained a week ago by bumping his head in a sleeping car berth, while coming to Spokane.

His physician reported today that it will be at least two weeks before he will be able to leave his bed.

DANGER POINT IS NOW PAST

Fears of Having Any Trouble With the Carranza Authorities Are Dispelled

VILLA IS ELUSIVE

Reported Now to be in Two Different Parts of Mexico at the Same Time

CAVALRY MOVES RAPIDLY

United States Troops Camp at Colonia Dublan Which is One of the Environs of Casas Grandes Bandit Reported South There

VILLA REPORTED IN CHIHUAHUA

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 18.—

Contradicting other reports, a telegram received here today by the Carranza consul assented that Villa and his bandits are located near San Geronimo, Chihuahua, and are making their way in the direction of Madera.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) EL PASO, Tex., March 18.—

The American cavalrymen were camped today at Colonia Dublan, one of the environs of Casas Grandes. They arrived in the night. Through Colonia Dublan runs the road to the Galeana district 25 miles southeast where Villa was last definitely reported.

Fears Dispelled News of the encampment at Colonia Dublan dispelled fears of any dispute with Constitutional authorities over what position the American troops should occupy at Casas Grandes. Scout outriders dashed into Colonia Dublan last night with the news that the Americans were near. The column which was first to go into this important American settlement, was said to be the cavalry from Hachita.

MADE FASTEST TRIP

ADELINE COMPLETES ROUND TRIP VOYAGE IN 98 HOURS

The Adeline Smith sailed at 9:30 this morning for Bay Point with two new honors for her, Capt. B. W. Olson having broken two of his best round trip records.

From the time she left her dock on the last trip, just ninety-eight hours had elapsed until she was on her way again. Her best previous time was 103 hours.

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VESSEL MOVEMENTS

Arrived Nann Smith, from Oakland 6:30 a. m. K'lburn, Portland; 7 a. m. Adeline, Oakland, 5 p. m., Friday.

Sailed Adeline, Oakland, 9:30 a. m. K'lburn, San Diego, late today.

Due to Sail Nann Smith, Oakland, 9:30 a. m., Sunday. Hardy, San Francisco, Sunday noon.

NEW WIRE WORKS

WESTERN UNION SENDS FIRST MESSAGE VIA EUGENE

Line From Roseburg Takes Back Seat After 40 Years Faithful Service—Free From Storms

WIRE CONNECTED THIS AFTERNOON

The new Western Union wire was connected up in Marshfield at 2:50 p. m. The first message to come through was to the Chamber of Commerce from the First National Bank of Eugene extending congratulations, and the second to Matt L. May. The wire was working fine this afternoon.

Exit the time worn phrase, "No news; wires down." The Western Union Telegraph Company's line from Coos Bay along the track of the Willamette Pacific to Eugene and thence to Portland is working. The first message went flickering across this afternoon and instantly the company discarded the wire from Roseburg that for 40 years has kept Coos Bay in telegraphic communication with the outside world.

There was great rejoicing when the first wire came; there is great rejoicing today to know the second line is up. It is expected that probably for all time is gone the continual source of wire trouble. The new line is along a clear right-of-way and will not be subject to the will of every storm that blows.

From Roseburg to Coos Bay the old line led through dense forests and over the mountains. It did not take much of a blow to put the entire service out of kilter. Often The Times has been forced to apologize to its readers for a lack of telegraphic news because a tree somewhere along the line had seen fit to topple down the hillside taking the telegraph wire with it.

The line came into Cushman from Eugene with the railroad. Since that time two crews have been working from both ends. J. H. Buis, wire foreman and his crew this afternoon hooked up the last wire and the current flickered on, carrying its first message with it.

TRAIN EQUIPMENT IS NOW AT UMPQUA

It is announced that a locomotive, two passenger coaches and a baggage coach which Engineer Hindmarsh ordered for the local service are now at the Umpqua and will be brought across in a day or two. The date of the establishment of passenger service to Eugene has not been definitely fixed, except that it will be about April 15th.

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REPUBLICANS FIGHTING BILL

Representative Mann Says President Wilson's Plans to Prepare are Inadequate

DEBATE ON TODAY

Suggestion by Another Member That War, if it Comes, May be Sudden

WISE TO CONSIDER NOW

Chairman Hay of the House Military Committee Says the Bill Before Congress Represents the Convictions of the President

SPEAKER CLARK IS SUPPORTING BILL

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 18.—

Speaker Clark abandoned the chair and took the floor in the House today to speak for the administration's army bill. He declared that it is as good as could be expected under the circumstances and predicted it would have the general support of the country.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 18.—

The House military bill is President Wilson's own bill, Chairman Hay of the military committee informed the House when the debate on the measure was resumed under the ten-hour rule.

"I may say," he said in reply to a question, "in broad language this is the President's bill and that he thoroughly approves of it."

Supports Wilson Chairman Hay said that the bill carries out the recommendations of the President's message and goes a little farther. He added that while the bill did not contain a continental army proviso, the President was satisfied that the proposed federalization of the National Guard would accomplish the same purpose.

"Then," said Representative Moore, Republican, "gentlemen voting for the bill will be voting for the President's convictions."

"They will," Hay responded. Not Satisfied Representative Mann, minority leader, attacked the bill as being inadequate to meet the demands of the present time. "The time has come," he said, "when it is wise for us to consider the possibility, and even the probability, of the future, and prepare now for what may come to us. If we do not prepare now we may regret it to the end of our lives."

He declared that the United States must take a prominent place in defending its own rights and those of the smaller neutrals and in upholding international law.

May Come Suddenly Representative Kahn, ranking minority member of the military committee, said the war came suddenly in modern times and that wisdom and patriotism demanded a reasonable measure of preparedness for war.

With adequate preparation in peace time, he said, thousands of lives might have been saved in the country's defeat.

NOT AUTHORIZED

War Department Did Not Issue Order About Correspondents (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 18.—

The warning to newspaper correspondents at Columbus that they would be held responsible for their dispatches under the National defense act, appears to have been issued without special instructions from the War Department. Officials here are at a loss to see how the act can be invoked successfully to prevent the correspondents disclosing the movements of the troops.

WILSON IS CHEERED

MEXICANS AT VERA CRUZ SHOW GOOD FEELING

Big Demonstration Held to Celebrate Agreement Reached by Two Countries

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) VERA CRUZ, Mexico, March 18.—

A popular demonstration was held here last night to celebrate the agreement reached between the United States and Mexico regarding mutual concessions for the prosecution of outlaws. An imposing street parade was held and speeches were delivered, during which the mention of the names of President Wilson and Provisional President Carranza were loudly cheered.

BORDER NOW QUIET

SECRETARY BAKER GIVES OUT STATEMENT ABOUT MEXICO

Some Excitement at Tampico But Apparently it is Temporary and Without Cause

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 18.—

Secretary Baker today issued the following statement: "Reports received directly through military channels and those sent to this Department from other departments of the government, indicate quiet along the entire border, except some excitement at Tampico, which is apparently temporary and without cause."

Secretary Baker said he would leave today for Cleveland and would not return until Tuesday.

MAIL TO SUMNER

SERVICE SIX TIMES A WEEK INSTEAD OF THREE TIMES

New Schedule Effective April 1st, According to Order From Postal Department (Special to The Times.)

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Mail service between Marshfield and Sumner is to be increased from three to six times a week, effective April 1.

The above news will be gratifying to the residents of Sumner and Catching Inlet. Through the courtesy of Masters Bros., most of the people have been receiving The Times daily but the other mail was held back as the Postoffice Department only authorized the three-time-a-week service. With the opening of McDonald & Vaughn camp there, the patronage of the Sumner office is materially increased, a point which Postmaster Grove Motley called to their attention.

TURK MINISTER OF WAR IS HOME

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BERLIN, March 18.—Official dispatches from Constantinople say Enver Pasha, the Turkish War Minister, has returned there from a trip of inspection to Syria, Palestine and Arabia.

BARGE NEARLY DONE

KRUSE & BANKS MAKE RAPID PROGRESS ON WORK

First of Three Sea-going Crafts for Hercules Powder Company at San Francisco

The Kruse & Banks shipyard expect to complete the first of three sea-going barges for the Hercules Powder Company of San Francisco in about two weeks. The barges are the largest ever built on the Bay. They are to be used in gathering help which is no being utilized in the manufacture of explosives. The two others will be rushed to completion.

Good progress is also being made on the two big steamers under way at the yards and additional men are being put to work.

The yards' capacity is now being taxed to the utmost and they will not be able to take any more contracts for a few months. The constantly advancing prices of materials makes advance contracting a little hazardous now.

GERMAN FORCE HELD IN CHECK

Fail to Make Any Advance Around Verdun Since Attack of Thursday Night

QUIET LAST NIGHT

No Activity on Part of the Infantry and Artillery Fire is Lighter

MOVEMENT IN BULGARIA

Report That Troops in That Country Are Active—Little Doing Today at the Other Fronts in the Big European War

REPORT DENIED BY THE FRENCH EMBASSY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, March 18.—

The French embassy, upon instructions from Paris, today emphatically denied that the German forces were holding any portion of Deadman's Hill.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, March 18.—

Since the reports of massed attacks Thursday night against the village and fort of Vaux, the Germans have not advanced at any point on the Verdun defenses, Paris announced today.

Last night was passed without infantry activity and even the artillery action is described as intermittent.

Reports of developments of importance in the theatres of war are lacking. Heavy troop movements in Bulgaria are reported from Bucharest, however.

STEAMER REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN SUNK

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, March 18.—

The steamer Palembang has been torpedoed. All the members of the crew were saved.

PERSONAL MENTION

STOrey Mussen, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Mussen, underwent a successful operation for throat trouble this morning and is reported to be doing nicely.

Dahlia Bulbs—All the choice dahlia bulbs from the Sacchi garden will be offered for sale Tuesday, March 21 only, at 649 1/2 street South.

Mrs. HARRY J. M'KEOWN and daughter, left on the Union this morning for Best Lake, where they will spend the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Hindmarsh will also be in the party, coming from Lakeside.

Mrs. J. H. STADDEN and little daughter, returned on the K'lburn today. They visited Mrs. Stadden's parents in Ellensburg and relatives in many other places in Washington. In January, it was 22 degrees below in Eastern Washington.

ROBT. W. SWANTON, of the Swanton Drug Co., will close his store each Sunday for the present, as he believes his health demands a release of one day out of seven, and hopes that his patrons will excuse him for any inconveniences caused by this arrangement. He feels, however, that by doing this he will be able to give much better service for the remaining 82 hours of business during the week.

Mrs. George Stephenson of North Bend is expected home the first of next week from a visit in San Francisco.

Sawyer Injured—Louis Lehmann, Sawyer in the North Bend Mill & Lumber Company's mill, got his hand caught in the gearing yesterday and had it badly crushed. The end of one finger being taken off.

Times want ads bring results.