



SQUADRON IS ORDERED TO SAIL SOUTH

Battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire Are to Be Joined by the Connecticut, Which Will Leave for the Southern Waters Tomorrow

WILL BE WITHIN EASY REACH OF VERA CRUZ

Latin-American Diplomats Formally Approve Draft of Letter to Be Sent Mexican Factions; Carranza Warns U. S. to Keep Out.

New York, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The Latin-American diplomats attending the Pan-American conference this afternoon formally approved the draft of a letter to be addressed to the Mexican factions. Secretary Lansing, who prepared the letter, made this announcement at the conclusion of the conference this afternoon at 4:45.

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced today that the battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire are bound for southern waters, and that they will be joined by the Connecticut. The destination of the three ships will be announced later, he said. Admiral Walter McLean is in command of the squadron.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—President Wilson left Cornish at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon for Washington. He will arrive at the capital at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

CARRANZA NOTE TO UNITED STATES SAYS HE DESIRES NO HELP

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—A hot message from General Venustiano Carranza, warning the United States and the Latin-American republics to keep their hands off Mexico, burst into the already complicated Mexican situation like a bomb today.

The Carranzistas agency here made (Concluded on Page Two, Column Three.)

WARSHIPS GO SOUTH TO GIVE ASSISTANCE WHEREVER NEEDED

Secretary of the Navy Daniels Says They May Go Either to Mexico or Haiti.

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Navy orders which last night sent the battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire scurrying south from Newport, R. I., and which today were supplemented with additional orders directing the Connecticut from Port au Prince to southern waters tomorrow, were declared by Secretary of the Navy Daniels this afternoon to have no special significance in connection with the Vera Cruz demonstrations.

No definite destination was given out. Daniels explained the orders as follows: "Conditions at Vera Cruz are such that the warships may not be sent there at all. Conditions at Haiti or other southern points may make necessary the sending of the ships to any one of a number of places, possibly the naval base at Guantanamo. I cannot state positively.

"The Louisiana and New Hampshire left Newport last night. The Connecticut is in Haitian waters now, but may join the others shortly. The Tennessee, which left for Haiti yesterday, will return to northern waters as soon as the marines are landed.

"Orders were also issued to the collector Cyclops to proceed from Newport, R. I., to southern waters." No official information was available, but it was understood here this afternoon that the entire Atlantic fleet at Newport had received orders to hold themselves in readiness to sail at an hour's notice.

Carranza Yielding.

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The first hint of yielding from the United States came from the Carranza agency here this afternoon in the form of a suggestion that the "first chief" might consider a "get together" program on the basis of representation by Carranza, Villa and Zapata in proportion to their respective strength.

An official of the agency was authorized for the statement that the member of the American cabinet has assured him that there would be no outside intervention involving bloodshed.

Lafferty and Wagner Almost Come to Blows

Ex-Congressman Is Declared to Have Threatened Detective With Knife; Jitney Case Cause.

The long smoldering feud between attorneys for the Jitney interests and the police and detectives of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company came to a head at the police headquarters building this morning when ex-Congressman A. W. Lafferty, attorney for the Jitney Safety federation, attacked Lou Wagner, special agent for the street railway company, and later drew a knife on Wagner when the latter stopped him on the street.

Physical damage was prevented by the interference of Motorcycle Patrolman Bales, about whom, in the court room, the rumour first started.

John Lanning, Jitney driver, was on trial, charged with reckless driving. Lafferty defended him. Deputy District Attorney Deich, a personal friend of Lanning, declined to prosecute, and Bales was compelled to fight his own case.

During the trial Wagner stepped up to Bales and whispered in his ear. Lafferty, believing Wagner was prompting Bales to make the prosecution of Lanning vigorous as possible, demanded that Bales state the substance of the conversation. Bales refused to do this and was upbraided. After the trial, in which Lanning was fined \$10, Lafferty met Wagner in the corridor.

He shook Wagner by the shoulders and said, "I mentioned the fact that you were up to me, and you are now expected to step through the door and seize Lafferty, escorting him to the street. Wagner stepped out in pursuit of Lafferty. The latter stopped and copped him, and in heated tones demanded an explanation. Then, according to witnesses, Lafferty drew the pen knife from his pocket, opened it, and threatened Wagner. Then he started off on Oak street, Wagner abandoning the pursuit.

SERBIA'S AGREEMENT TO MEET TERMS OF BULGARIA WELCOMED

Allies See Hope for Early Entrance of Bulgaria and Roumania Into the War.

By Henry Wood.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 10.—(U. P.)—(Delayed in Transmission)—The possibility of Bulgaria abandoning her neutrality and sending her armies in the direction of Constantinople, was materially increased today when Serbia announced that she was willing to make important concessions provided Roumania and Greece adopt a conciliatory attitude in the present negotiations.

Representatives of the allied nations declared today that the latest messages from Athens had aroused particular active in Greece and Bulgaria would join the allies.

Regardless of this recent development, Germany still holds the upper hand in the present diplomatic struggle although the outlook appears brighter for the allies. The effect of the fall of Warsaw and the retreat of the Russian army has been estimated by the Bulgarians as an ultimate victory for the Austro-Germans.

United States is playing the most important role in the diplomatic contest of the Balkan peninsula. Representatives of the allies have been particularly active in spreading broadcast President Wilson's messages to Germany about the sinking of the Lusitania and the destruction of vessels carrying American passengers. The last American note was given unusual publicity here with the view of influencing the Bulgarians. Even the newly organized American Institute for the Intellectuals was circulated here.

To counteract the possible influence of the American notes, the Austro-Germans are circulating quotations from American newspapers in an attempt to persuade the public men of the United States favor Germany's stand.

Italian-Turkish Crisis.

Athen, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Italy's relations with Turkey have reached a crisis, and it is announced that all Italian consuls in the Ottoman Empire are preparing to leave.

Prepare to Elect President of Haiti

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Arrangements for the election of a president of Haiti were progressing today, according to advices received here from Admiral Caperton. Despite uprisings in the interior, the outlook was said to be favorable.

"Invasion" Story False.

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Reports of an invasion of Texas by 1000 Carranzistas were branded as false this afternoon. The Mexican raiders are merely individuals or members of separate gangs, and do not number nearly 1000 in all.

MUTT AND JEFF

will make you laugh through the columns of The Journal EVERY DAY, beginning Wednesday, August 25.

Bud Fisher has drawn a new series of comic strips in which these popular favorites will be more fun than ever.

ENTIRE RUSSIAN LINE RETREATS; TO QUIT KOVNO

Russians South of Lomza Are Falling Back and Have Evacuated Ft. Benjaminow, Near Novo Georgievsk.

KOVNO, IMPORTANT FORT, NOW BEING EVACUATED

Grand Duke Nicholas Expected to Retire 200 Miles East of Warsaw.

Berlin, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The entire Russian line south of Lomza is retreating, according to official announcement here late today.

The Russians have evacuated Fort Benjaminow, one of the eastern defenses of Novo Georgievsk.

The Germanic allies were today in striking distance of the Warsaw-Petrograd railway.

West of Brok, on the Bug river, the Germans are within six miles of the railroad and are shelling it continually to prevent its use.

The forts of the Novo Georgievsk, Ostrow and Kovno, also were being subjected to a terrific bombardment.

General von Buelow today was conducting a strong offensive southwest of Riga. General Jancke is advancing rapidly through Lomza.

GOVERNMENT MOVES ARCHIVES FROM CITY OF KOVNO, IT ADMITS

Petrograd, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Russian troops have begun the evacuation of Kovno, according to official announcement from the war office late today. The Germans are now expected to resume their march on Riga.

The official statement announcing the evacuation of Kovno said: "The government archives are being removed from Kovno to Bobruisk, in Minsk, 250 miles to the southeast. Howitzers have been bombarding Kovno's forts for two days."

Is Important Fortress.

Kovno lies on the Nieman river and is on the Vilna-Koenigsburg railway. It is one of the principal fortresses of Russia's second-line defense.

The evacuation means that Grand Duke Nicholas probably will retire 200 miles east of Warsaw, the Kovno-Grodno-Brest-Litovsk line now being untenable. Brest, Litovsk, Riga and Vilna will be ultimately abandoned, it is believed.

Austrians Are Reinforced.

Violent fighting has been resumed along the Dniester, according to today's statement from the Russian war office. The Austrians, strongly reinforced, attempting to cross the river and strike the railroad centers of Tarnopol and Czortkov.

The Russians were successful in repelling these attacks at every point. The German forces in Courland today were continuing to fall back, but the attack on Kovno was maintained.

Zeppelins Saturday Bombed Two Red Cross Trains, Killing several wounded soldiers and injuring a number of attendants, according to official announcement here today.

Aerial Attacks on Riga.

Petrograd, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—A Zeppelin today bombed Fort Udvinsk, at the mouth of the Gulf of Riga.

German aeroplanes are attacking Riga daily.

HELLED FOR DYNAMITE PLOT

Bellingham, Wash., Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Joe Burke, 35, and Frank McLain, 40, are under arrest here today in connection with a plot to blow up industrial plants to drive Japanese labor out of the country. They are also believed to be implicated in the attempted dynamiting of the Blaine reservoir recently. Sheriff Stewart, who made the arrests, says he has collected damaging evidence against them.

\$52,000,000 in Gold, Bonds, Is Safe in U. S. A.

Huge Sum Brought From England to Halifax by British Fleet and Then to New York by Rail.

New York, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—A special train carrying \$52,000,000, two-thirds in gold and one-third in securities, which had been shipped by the Bank of England from London via Halifax to this city, arrived today at the terminal of the American Express company in seven steel cars, guarded by 40 armed men.

The treasure crossed the Atlantic in a British battleship, accompanied by a flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers and a cruiser through the war zone and across the Atlantic to Halifax.

One report last night held that the fleet was commanded by Vice-Admiral Beatty, winner of the naval battle on August 28, 1914, off Heligoland light.

The detachment from North sea duty of a strong section of British sea strength attended the transportation of the greatest cargo of treasure which has ever been trusted to one bottom, and which was doubly important to England because the purpose of the shipment was in part to strengthen British financial prestige in New York markets. The weight of the gold is 75 tons.

TWO OF PORTLAND'S GRAIN FLEET SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINES

Bark Morna, Carrying Grain for Houser, and Steamer Rosalie Are Sunk.

London, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Eleven vessels today fell victims to German submarines. The admiralty announced this afternoon that the trawlers Young Admiral, George Kiddie, Utopia, the Norwegian bark Morna, and the British steamer Oakwood had been sunk by the underwater divers, but no lives were lost.

Earlier statements reported the loss of the Russian bark Baltzer and the British steamer Rosalie, 4000 tons register.

The trawlers Illustrious, Calm, Trevie and Welcome also were torpedoed and sunk.

Another member of the Portland grain fleet, the Norwegian bark Morna, was sunk by German submarines today. She was sent out by M. H. Houser with 11,000 bushels of wheat. She sailed from here March 25.

The Morna, Captain Larsen, was one of the old style sharp bottom iron barks and at the time of her visit here tipped over in the Oregon dry dock. Her captain stated that it was the first time in over 20 years that she had been absolutely free of ballast.

She belonged to S. Rasmussen of Haugesund, Norway, and was of 1511 tons net register. She was 23.7 feet length, 37.3 feet beam, and 23 feet depth of hold.

The British steamer Rosalie was bound here to load grain for the United Kingdom, under charter to Kerr, Gifford & Co. She was to have general cargo either for New York or San Francisco and as she was just leaving Shields at the time of the supposed torpedoing it is believed she was filled with this cargo. She is a new steamer of 2725 tons net register and was making her first trip to this coast.

Two Mine Sweepers Sunk by Russians

Germany Denies Important Naval Engagement in Gulf of Riga but Admits Damage to Reconnoitering Fleet.

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Two German minesweepers were lost when a German squadron encountered Russian warships in the Gulf of Riga Sunday, it was semi-officially stated today. It was declared false, however, that the announcement from Petrograd that three of the kaiser's large vessels had been badly damaged during the attempt to penetrate the gulf.

The German squadron was merely reconnoitering, officials said.

"I AM THE STATE!"



CROSS EXAMINATION OF MENEFFEE TAKEN UP WITHOUT DELAY

Commissions and Salaries Is Principal Topic at This Morning's Session.

Cross-examination of Frank Meneffee, president of the United States Cashier company, at the trial in federal court of himself and six other officials and salesmen of the concern, opened shortly before noon with a broadside of searching questions designed to show how much money Meneffee received during his connection and management of the \$1,000,000 organization.

Without giving Meneffee an opportunity to catch his breath after Attorney Calk, for the defense, abruptly ended the 4 1/2 days' direct examination of the principal defendant, United States Attorney Reames began his cross-fire.

Haggling Over Figures.

When noon adjournment was taken Reames and Meneffee had spent about 20 minutes haggling over figures involving stock transactions in which Meneffee had figured and the jury to a man was bent forward intent on catching every word interchanged.

Summed up, Reames' opening line was this in effect: "Mr. Meneffee, how much, when and where did you get it?"

"Mr. Meneffee," said Reames, "you received \$38,000 in cash more than you paid into the company and over and above all you received through the sale of privately owned stock or resale stock you bought up, didn't you?"

"I believe so," said Meneffee. "You also received real estate of a value of \$43,000," persisted Reames. "Yes, but it wasn't worth it and I knew it."

"In all you received about \$82,000," (Concluded on Page Eleven, Column Two.)

New Plans for Army And Coast Defenses

Re-organization Completed, War Office Announces, and Details Be Submitted to President Upon His Return.

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Plans have been completed for re-organization of the army and coast defenses. It was announced from the war office today. The plans will be submitted to President Wilson upon his return from Cornish.

50 Divers Sunk by Allies Up to Date

New York, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The current issue of the Army and Navy Journal asserts that about 50 submarines have been destroyed by the allies since the beginning of the war.

JAPANESE FACE CHARGES

Tahama, Wash., Aug. 11.—(P. N. S.)—The three Japanese speeders whom "County Officer Devoe" was pursuing Sunday when his motorcycle left the Pacific highway near the King county line, seriously injuring him, were charged with two offenses each when brought before Justice Frank Graham. Not only must they answer to a charge of speeding, but also to that of resisting an officer. Their bail was placed at \$200 each, which friends furnished. Each entered pleas of not guilty.

ROADMASTER SAYS HE IS GLAD TO LEARN WORK IS APPRECIATED

Presentation of Token of Esteem Comes as a Great Surprise to Mr. Yeon.

As a mark of appreciation of public service, John B. Yeon was presented today with a loving cup at a breakfast given in his honor at the Hotel Benson by a few of those who have been associated with Mr. Yeon in highway work.

The presentation speech was made by Samuel Hill. A fitting response was made by Mr. Yeon, who was taken completely by surprise.

The cup which is of silver is 18 inches in circumference. It bears the following inscription: "John B. Yeon, roadmaster, citizen, husband, father, friend."

"Who, seeking to serve others, found a new happiness for himself. May others drink from this unfulfilling cup and find the draught as sweet."

"Portland, Oregon, August 11." On the reverse side are engraved the names of the donors: S. Benson, A. S. Benson, H. L. Bowley, Samuel Hill, Rufus C. Holman, C. S. Jackson, Samuel C. Lancaster, Julius L. Meier, Frank Terrace, Oswald West, John F. Carroll, H. L. Pittock.

In addition to the donors there was present at the breakfast, John B. Yeon Sr., father of the roadmaster.

In accepting the cup Mr. Yeon said that he had felt that he was not coming up to the expectation of his friends in his public work and was most gratified to realize that his work had met their appreciation. Greater than all the money in the world was the possession of friends, he said.

FIRE ENTIRELY CONSUMES BIG WOOL DEPOT

Flames in Theodore Bernheim Warehouse Are Believed to Have Started From Emplaces Smoking.

THREE FIREMEN HURT WHEN WALL FALLS OUT

Two Are Seriously Injured and Are Removed to Hospital; Damage \$50,000.

The Theodore Bernheim wool warehouse, at Twelfth and Kearney streets, was completely destroyed by fire at 1:30 p. m. today, together with several thousand bales of wool.

Fireman Gunter, of engine 26, received severe scalp wounds and was cut over the eye. He was removed to the emergency hospital. Fireman Dells suffered a crushed chest and was also taken to the hospital.

The damage is estimated at \$40,000 at least. The losses are covered by insurance.

The building covered a quarter block on property controlled by the O-W. R. & N.

For a time the Trussed Concrete Steel company plant adjoining just west, was threatened, but at 2 o'clock the fire was believed to be under control, Fire Chief Dowell said.

Employees smoking in the warehouse are believed to have furnished the fire's origin.

The Dement Brothers flour and feed warehouse and contents are damaged to the extent of \$3000, large stocks of flour being ruined by the smoke. The Trussed Concrete Steel building was damaged \$1000. The wool warehouse, which was destroyed, was worth \$3000 and wool destroyed was valued at more than \$50,000, of which \$5000 worth was owned by the Portland Woolen mills.

Karl Gunter, truckman on Engine 26, and E. P. Dills, on Engine 17, were both overcome after a narrow escape and a spectacular show of courage. They were endeavoring to make an opening in the north wall of the building when a great quantity of wool fell out, completely covering them. They were dragged out.

Gunter, with nose, eyes and head bleeding, rushed back to the fight. He soon collapsed and was again carried away. When he revived he returned to the fire, only to collapse again. The third time he collapsed, he was taken away and had to give up the effort.

Dills, who had bruises on his shoulder, chest and head, also returned to the fire and collapsed.

There are said to have been about 150,000 pounds of wool in the warehouse, and practically all of it ruined.

GERMAN BOAT SINKS BRITISH SHIP OF WAR; THEN IS BLOWN UP

Crew of Kaiser's Vessel Will Not Surrender When Surrounded by British.

London, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The German auxiliary cruiser Meteor sank the British warship Ramsey in the North sea Sunday. It was officially announced this afternoon that 43 members of the crew were saved.

Immediately afterwards the British squadron closed in on the Meteor. The crew took to the boats and blew up the ship.

Move Expected Soon.

London, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—Trustworthy reports received here today say Greece and Bulgaria soon will enter the war on the side of Great Britain, Russia and France.

JOHN B. YEON IS PRESENTED WITH LOVING CUP AS TOKEN OF APPRECIATION OF HIS PUBLIC HIGHWAY WORK



From left to right: Sitting—C. E. Jackson, Frank Terrace, Samuel Hill, S. Benson, H. L. Pittock, John Yeon Sr. Standing—H. L. Bowley, Samuel C. Lancaster, John F. Carroll, Julius L. Meier, John B. Yeon, Amos S. Benson, Oswald West, Rufus C. Holman.

Cottages at Seaside

Furnished Rooms \$1 Wk.

READ over this list of "Want Ads" and if any of them interest you turn over to our "Want Ad" section, where you will find these ads complete under the same classification as shown here. You will always find an abundance of bargains in the "Want Ad" section of The Journal.

Household Goods for Sale—55

"LIVING" furniture for sale cheap, at once."

Summer Resorts—56

"WANTED"—2 modern cottages at Seaside on board walk."

Horses, Vehicles, Etc.—18

"PAIR 5-year-old horses, weight 2900 lbs., best of workers."

Automobile Wanted—78

"WANTED"—Second hand Ford, 4 seats in good condition, for cash. No agents."

Furnished Houses—36

"RIVER" front at Oak Grove, 5 room modern house, garden and berries. Oregon City car."

Furnished Rooms

Private Family—70 "51 WEEK" front up, furnished sleeping rooms, walking distance."

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