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RUSSIANS READY TO LEAVE KOVNO SAYS PETROGRAD

City May be Given up Before the End of Week—Germans Steadily Reduce Their Fortifications.

NEW LINE SAID TO RETREAT

From Lomza South to Novo Georgiewsk Slavs Are Falling Back, According to Report from Berlin—One Fortress Has Already Been Taken by the Teutons.

BERLIN, Aug. 11.—The entire Russian line from Lomza south to Novo Georgiewsk is in full retreat, it was officially announced. The Germans have captured the Benjaminow fortress east of Novo Georgiewsk.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 11.—All government documents are believed to have been removed from Kovno to Bobrinsk, according to dispatches. It indicates the Russians are prepared for an early evacuation of the city and a retirement into Vilna.

The war office admitted that Kovno may be evacuated before the end of the week. Since Sunday the German big guns have been hurling thousands of shells at the three principal forts guarding the fortress from the west. Sections of the fortifications have been destroyed, it was declared, but the Russian defenders, by a rare display of heroism, have repulsed all attempts to storm the gaps in the line.

Roof on New Wing Will be Finished by September 15

CONTRACTORS EXPECT TO TURN OVER HOSPITAL ADDITION BY JANUARY 1.

With forty men on the job, Olson & Johnson are rushing the work of building the new wing of the Eastern Oregon State Hospital. Already the walls of the basement and the first floor slab have been poured and the firm anticipates that by September 15 it will have the roof over the building. Between January 1 and February 1 the wing will be ready to turn over to the state, according to present estimates.

When completed the wing will be a little larger than the other wings. A garage will be built in the basement and there will be a dining room on each floor. The wards will accommodate 150 patients. In general style of architecture and finish, the wing will conform with the other buildings.

Edward D. Neill, Jr., is the representative of the company here and is in charge of the work. George Relling is superintendent of construction and J. C. Bell is foreman of the carpenters.

The sub-contractors are now all let and some of the sub-contractors are already at work on the job. The Ne Page McKenney Co. of Portland has the electrical and wiring contract and is represented here by E. L. Locke. The Bethroff Plumbing Co. of Salem, has the contract for the plumbing and heating and Manager Bethroff is personally on the job.

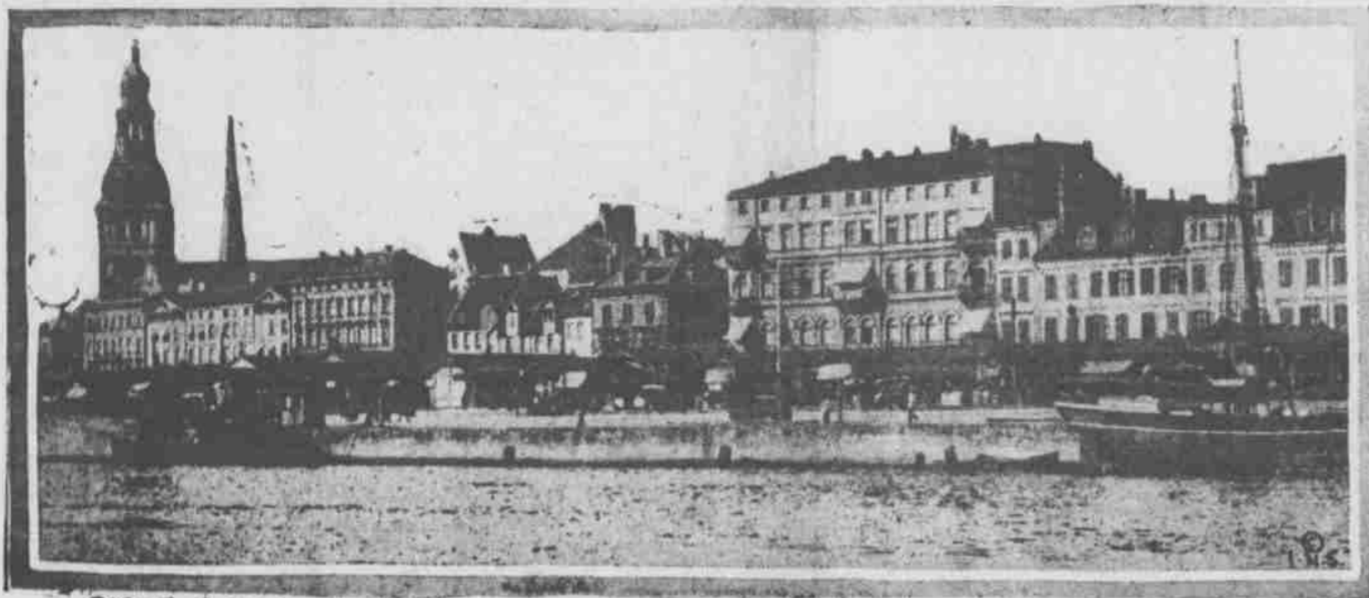
Murphy Bros. of this city, have been awarded the painting sub-contract. They had a similar contract when the other buildings were erected. B. C. Jagow of Spokane will have the plastering work. W. P. Fuller and Co. of Portland the glass and glazing. The Pacific Coast Steel Co. of Seattle is furnishing the steel for the building and C. N. Luck is superintending the erection of the steel. The Charles K. Spaulding Logging Co. of Portland will supply the mill work and the Oregon Lumber Co. of this city is furnishing all of the sand, gravel and cement. Nearly all of the labor employed on the job is from this city.

The better we know some people the more surprised we are at their success.

- Wheat Quotations. CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Close, Sept. 109 5-8; Dec., 109 1-8; May, 113 1-4. PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 11. Club, \$103; bluestem, \$104. Liverpool. Wheat—Spot No. 2 Manitoba, 11s 9d; No. 3, 11s 7d; No. 1 northern Duluth, 11s 6d. Corn—Spot American mixed, new, 8s 9 1-2. Translated, the price for spot No. 2 is \$1.71 per bushel.



Riga, Which Was Evacuated by the Russians



SCENE IN RIGA, RUSSIA

A scene in the city of Riga, Russia, capital of the Baltic provinces, from which it is reported the Russians have retreated before the onrush of Germans.

Scene in Warsaw, Captured by Germans



MUNICIPAL COURT, GARDEN, WARSAW

The picture shows the municipal court and garden in the Polish capital, which has been abandoned by the Russians.

Eastern Oregon is Short of Water; Warning is Issued

Calling attention to the shortage of water in the streams of eastern Oregon this season and urging all users to work in harmonious cooperation with each other to the end that irrigation will be minimized, State Engineer John H. Lewis is sending out written appeals to all water users, copies of which are being received by local users. The Lewis statement reads as follows: To the Water Users of the State of Oregon: The water users of the state of Oregon, especially those using water for irrigation, are confronting a serious condition. The water supply of most of the streams of eastern and southern Oregon is lower this season than at any time in the past 20 or 30 years. Many people are depending either directly or indirectly from the flow of streams for a livelihood. Those having a prior right to the use of water may legally demand their full supply as long as it is available. This will deprive subsequent users of their accustomed supply. In view of the unusual conditions which prevail, it is suggested that irrigators be as economical as possible in the use of water in order that some water may be left to mature the crops of subsequent appropriators below. From letters received at the state engineer's office it appears that many water users have the mistaken idea that to economize in the use of water so that some will flow down to their neighbor, will detrimentally affect their water right. If the prior appropriator demands his pound of flesh this season, it will cause the ruin of other crops. The state engineer desires to call attention to these unusual conditions and solicit the harmonious cooperation among water users to the end that injury to crops through shortage of water supply be minimized.

VACANCY IN BOARD BRINGS POLITICS TO LIFE AGAIN

The death of County Commissioner H. A. Waterman having left a vacancy on the county court, already there is considerable discussion over the appointment which must be made to fill the vacancy. The situation promises to arouse politics from the dormancy into which it has fallen since the last election. There seems to be a general feeling that the successor to the deceased commissioner will be selected from the west end of the county. There is no law dividing the county into districts for representation on the court but by common consent it has become the practice to give the west end one member, the east end one member and the central part one member. The appointment of the new commissioner will be with the county court and it is anticipated that a number of candidates will be presented for consideration. Already

BOYS ADMIT THEY ROBBED STRUVE HOME A WEEK AGO

Not only did the two boys, captured Monday afternoon by Chief of Police Kearney, rob the J. B. McCook home but they also were responsible for the burglary of the residence of Mrs. H. Struve on Matlock street a week ago. They admitted this morning to Chief Kearney and Juvenile Officer Halley that they were guilty and implicated two other boys, one the younger brother of one of the two. All four will be taken into juvenile court sometime this week. The Struve residence was robbed during the absence of the family and the youthful robbers took much valuable plunder, including a rifle, revolver, kodak, shoes, gloves, two watches, purses, pipes, a telegraph outfit, hats, baseballs and gloves and much other stuff. They returned it all this morning, having had it cached in various places. After catching the two boys in the McCook home, Chief Kearney was satisfied they were responsible for the Struve robbery but the boys denied it for some time. However, a little evidence had been secured and this led to a complete confession. Chief Kearney is satisfied the boys have been noting the houses whose families are vacant and had planned a series of robberies.

NEWS SUMMARY

- General. Carranza sends sharp note to Secretary Lansing warning him not to meddle in Mexico. Russians are ready to retreat from Kovno. All available United States regulars will be ordered to Mexican border. Local. Two harvest accidents this morning swelt week's list. Candidates will crop up for vacancy caused by death on county court. State engineer appeals to water users to use as little as possible. New wing to E. O. hospital will be roofed by Sept. 15. Boys' confess to having robbed Struve residence also.

IMPLICATE TWO OTHER YOUTHS WILL BE TAKEN INTO JUVENILE COURT.

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OFFICIALS AND OWNERS OF THE EASTLAND INDICTED

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Captain Pedersen, chief engineer Erickson and four other officers or owners of the Eastland were indicted by the state grand jury on several counts, each varying from manslaughter to criminal negligence. Judge Kersten issued capias for the arrest of the men and fixed Pedersen's and Erickson's bonds at \$29,000, the others at \$10,000.

CARRANZA TELLS LANSING NOT TO TROUBLE MEXICO

Sends Sharp Note to Secretary of State Advising Him Not to Meddle in Mexican Affairs.

WANTS THE FIGHT TO GO ON

Revolution Will Settle Affairs Better Than America Declares "First Chief"—Note Also Sent Each of South American Envoys—Brazilian Minister Criticized.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Carranza precipitated new trouble when he sent Secretary Lansing a sharp note advising him to cease meddling in the affairs of Mexico. Simultaneously he sent messages to the Pan-American conferees notifying each that he better keep his country out of the conference. Carranza asked the United States to permit the "revolution" to take its course. Criticism of Brazilian Minister Oliveira was also voiced in the statement, which declared it may be said that he was responsible for the present status of the Mexican relations with the United States. The note to Lansing also said Carranza thought that when the Pan-American conference started they would decide what faction in Mexico deserved recognition and then extend it.

But the persistence with which the press intimated that the parleys had agreed upon a plan for the pacification of Mexico and the declarations attributed by your excellency have caused the constitutional government to feel justly alarmed," the note continued. "Mr. Carranza and the persons who cooperate with him are of the profound conviction that if the United States could know the true situation, it would understand the only possible just and acceptable solution would be to leave the revolution to follow its natural course until complete victory came to the party which represents the greater necessities of Mexico and the greater popularity."

Eliseo Arrondondo, Carranza's confidential agent, said regarding the note: "The constitutional government in Mexico, represented by General Carranza, refrains from expressing comment on the Pan-American conferences but at the same time considers it a duty to inform the United States of the displeasure with which the Mexican government and its people view any act that might tend to hinder the success which has been accomplished against the reactionaries by the constitutional army which represents the hopes of the Mexican people." Similar notes were sent other conferees.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—A definite agreement with regard to the steps to be taken to restore peace in Mexico is expected to be reached by members of the Pan-American conference which will resume deliberations here this afternoon. Secretary Lansing is prepared to lay before the conferees a plan that included a letter to the Mexican factional leaders, requesting them to cease activities and agree upon a provisional president to hold office until a president is elected at the general election. It is believed the plan will be endorsed without debate. The belief that today's meeting will be the final session of the conference was strengthened by the knowledge that Lansing has engaged accommodations on the train that leaves for Washington at midnight. A movement to secure the support of Ernesto Madero for provisional president is developing.

BRITISH CRUISER SUNK

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The German auxiliary cruiser Meteor sank the British warship Ramsey in the North sea today, it was officially announced. Only 43 members of the crew were saved. Immediately afterwards a British squadron closed in on the Meteor, the crew took to the boats and blew up the ship.

Many Letters Come to Local Man Who Gained Lost Sight

CARL GILOTT FINDS HIS MAIL GREATLY INCREASED IN LAST FEW DAYS.

Carl Gilott is in need of a private secretary. Since the recovery of his eyesight his mail has increased until its volume rivals that received by a millionaire philanthropist and the task of answering it might easily rob Mr. Gilott of some of the pleasure which results from the passing of his blindness.

The letters come from friends and strangers alike. Friends are sending him their congratulations and strangers want to know how it happened. Some write out of curiosity alone, some are interested in his statements that he was helped by auto-suggestion, and some have reached out to Mr. Gilott for helpful suggestions. Mr. Gilott is trying to answer all but he is hard put to do it. Mr. Gilott yesterday had his eye carefully and thoroughly tested by a physician and an option to discover whether or not there is a lens that will strengthen his eyes for reading purposes. He believes the results will prove satisfactory.

Yanked in for Firing. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10.—Arthur Hawthorne flirted with a cashier on the Zone at the exposition and was yanked to jail by Miss Blanche Payson, a woman police officer of Amazonian proportions.

ALL U. S. TROOPS AVAILABLE WILL BE WITHIN CALL

Orders Concentrating Regulars on the Border are Expected to be Issued in Next Few Hours.

SITUATION GROWS CRITICAL

Transports Are Held in Readiness to Sail in Case Soldiers are Needed at Vera Cruz—Lives of Americans and Foreigners Will be Protected in Mexico.

BULLETIN CORNHISH, Aug. 11.—President Wilson is preparing a statement to the warring factions in Mexico which will amount to an ultimatum, it is believed. He departs for Washington this afternoon. It is understood it will be submitted to the New York Pan-American conference for endorsement.

BULLETIN

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Aug. 11.—The Mexican border situation is becoming hourly more tense. Matamoros advised declared the Mexicans intend to attack the city if United States troops occupy Vera Cruz. Alarmed by raids, American citizens are arming everywhere. Poses, troops and rangers are rounding up the bandits.

BULLETIN

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Private advices received by the United Press from Vera Cruz indicate the situation there is quiet, but that an unfriendly sentiment toward Americans is manifested. The Carranzistas, it was stated, anticipated no anti-American demonstrations.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Orders concentrating all the available regulars of the United States army on the Mexican border are expected to be issued today. Secretary Garrison would not discuss the situation but he conferred with officials through whom such orders will be issued. The secretary of war significantly admitted that three transports at Galveston and one at New York are ready to sail. Presumably the vessels will sail to Mexico although the secretary did not so state.

Excepting for defense of the American border and the lives of foreigners in the interior, the administration does not contemplate the use of armed force in Mexico, despite the unusual preparations. High officials stated. The president's plan is still to let Mexico settle her own problems with no further outside action than the recognition and financial support of such factions as get together and a general boycott and embargo on the shipment of arms against any group (meaning the Carranzistas) which tries to exercise arbitrary and unconstitutional authority. Unless he commits or permits overt acts against foreigners, Carranza still has a chance to "set together" with the other factional leaders. Outrages against foreigners in Mexico City, or Vera Cruz, however, might compel the use of armed force.

Funston's 14,000 troops are within striking distance of the border and Major General Bell has 7000 more in Texas City, Texas. The first draft of troops for service, should soldiers be needed, is expected to be made from these latter forces.

LA REDEDO, TEXAS, AUG. 11.—General

Funston has ordered another battalion of the ninth infantry from Fort McIntoch to Brownsville on a special train. It is reported the situation there is critical.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Vera Cruz is quiet and Carranza has issued a proclamation denouncing anti-American demonstrations there, according to a cable from special Agent Silliman to the state department. Following as it did Commander McNamee's cable telling of the growth of the anti-foreign feeling at Vera Cruz, especially against the Americans, Silliman's message profoundly astonished officialdom.

GERMAN MINE-SWEEPERS ARE SUNK BY RUSSIANS

BERLIN, Aug. 11.—Two German minesweepers were lost when a German squadron encountered Russian warships in the Gulf of Riga Sunday, it was semi-officially stated, but it was denied that three of the latter's largest vessels were damaged.