

REPLY REVERBERATES DEMAND FOR JENKINS

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RABID INTERVENTIONISTS ADMIT UNPREPAREDNESS

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EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 1.—Intervention in Mexico now appears far off although it is inevitable ultimately, according to authorities here today. While the Jenkins and Wallace cases have rendered the diplomatic situation tense, American military men and rabid interventionists admit for the first time since the Pershing expedition started after Villa that the American army is not prepared for the job in Mexico.

Except for ordnance, of which there is enough along the border to supply five divisions, the army is not prepared. Not over 3000 men are at Fort Bliss. Regular Cavalry companies are down to 55 men. Infantry and other units have been similarly skeletonized by demobilization since the armistice.

Troops Concentrate.

EL PASO, Dec. 1.—Concentration of Carranzista troops along the northern border of Mexico is reported here today. The largest mobilization is at Ojunga, opposite the Presidio, Texas, where reinforcements of 1500 men have arrived since the Jenkins affair grew critical.

In the Cuerte Valley and at Navajo and Soria, anti-American Mexican forces have been mobilized. The Jenkins case has been similarly skeletonized by demobilization since the armistice.

Little Significance.

American military intelligence officers who brought these reports attach no special significance to the massing of Carranzista troops, however.

BODY FOUND IN TRUNK; OREGON PAIR SOUGHT

LAWTON, Mich., Dec. 1.—Police today are seeking Mrs. Lester Tabor and her son, Walter, last reported to be "somewhere in Oregon," following the finding of the body of Miss Maud Tabor in a trunk in the basement of the Tabor home here. Police say the body has evidently been in the trunk for three years. Miss Tabor a graduate of the University of Michigan, and a teacher of languages, disappeared about three years ago.

Police say that following her disappearance, Walter Tabor said she died on a ranch out west, where she had gone for her health. Authorities say she had a sweetheart here at the time of her disappearance. Examination of the body disclosed the fact that she was about to become a mother. She was 48 years old.

SILVER THAW PLAYS HAVOC WITH WIRES; BROKEN POLES ARE STREWN OVER COUNTY

Walla river, the source of this city's sewer, again had a short time, due to low water between Pisco and Walla Walla. No wires were broken here by the Pacific Power & Light Company, reported today.

Telephone communication with the city was uninterrupted but fire and long distance lines were without exception hampered. Manager J. A. Murray went to Shanfield today to personally supervise the repair work of lines to give temporary service. The Western Union wires this noon were up to Portland, Walla Walla and La Grande and no troubles are anticipated.

Baker Cut Off.

BAKER, Dec. 1.—Baker was cut off from telephone communication with Malheur, Canyon City and Portland Saturday night and Sunday by a snowstorm that destroyed telephone lines. One line to Portland was in operation Sunday but service was poor. The other line was cut entirely between La Grande and Pendleton. According to the local manager, a line will be restored by tonight. Snow fell to the depth of four inches in Baker and was reported as deep as five inches at Canyon City yesterday. In the mountains the fall was much heavier.

INDICTMENT AGAINST MOONEY DISMISSED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—All indictments against Thomas Mooney and Arthur J. Billings were dismissed today because the district attorney's office was not ready to prosecute. The cases have been pending three and a half years. The indictments charged murder in connection with the preparedness parade bombing here.

Judge Ward criticized the district attorney's office for its failure to act and said the case against Mrs. Mooney, which comes up tomorrow, will be dismissed unless the state is ready to proceed. Mooney's attorney protested against dismissal of the cases, declaring Mooney wanted them brought to trial.

EAST OREGONIAN PUBLISHING CO. PUTS MECHANICAL FORCE ON INCREASED SCALE OF PAY

Fourteen men, representing the entire mechanical department of the East Oregonian, were placed upon an increased scale of pay, effective today. The new scale represents a substantial rise for all the men affected and, by contract with the local typographical union, is to remain in effect throughout the year 1920.

During the present year printers, pressmen and their helpers in Pendleton have been paid slightly less than in the majority of Oregon towns having daily newspapers. The new scale brings their pay nearer the level which other towns are now paying their mechanical forces.

Well-Paid Men Efficient.

Realizing that the cost of living is steadily increasing, the East Oregonian has willingly signed the new contract at this time in appreciation of the work its force produces. The management believes that a well-paid man is the best producer and that first class producers are necessary to maintain the standard of excellence which the East Oregonian strives to keep.

The higher wage scale, together with the rapidly mounting cost of print paper and all materials connected with the production of a newspaper, make necessary slight increases in the advertising rates of the East Oregonian, also effective today. Even at the new rate, the East Oregonian's charge is lower than that of 17 dailies in Oregon, outside of Portland, while only six charge less per inch than does this paper. These latter are in larger cities than Pendleton, where their field admits of a greater circulation and, consequently, proportionately lower cost of production.

PENDLETON POST WILL MEET AT 8 TONIGHT

Fourteen matters of legislation submitted to the state organization of the American Legion will be considered tonight by Pendleton Post in its regular monthly meeting at 8 o'clock in the assembly room of the county library. The judiciary committee met last week to digest these matters and will present them, with recommendations, to the meeting tonight.

Several local matters of importance to the legion, as well as reports on the recent national convention, probably will come before the meeting. The membership of the local post has been swelled considerably since the Armistice Day demonstration against the soldiers at Centralia and prospects for a flourishing organization here are much brighter. Steps are being taken to determine whether members or not are welcome to attend this evening and apply for membership if they desire.

WILL VILLA RESCUE ANGELES?



FELIPE ANGELES

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mex.—Gen. Felipe Angeles, Villa's right hand man, is not dead according to latest reports, but is awaiting his fate by courtmartial here. Villa considers Angeles so strong a support that the people of this city would not be surprised to see him dash through the main street at the head of his band and deliver his aide from confinement.



PANCHO VILLA

BURLESON PHONE RATES DECLARED ILLEGAL; USERS WILL GET REBATE AND LOWER CHARGE

FORTY ALLEGED I. W. W. SYMPATHIZERS, WORKING ON ROAD, DISCHARGED

Highway Contractors Bring News of Spread of Bolshevik Propaganda at Camp; Pendleton Police on Lookout.

Forty alleged I. W. W. sympathizers, who have been working as teamsters on the on the state highway between Tith and Echo, were discharged this morning after I. W. W. literature had been discovered in their camp. They are known to have spread bolshevik propaganda.

K. C. Amann and Mr. Clifton, both of Clifton, Applegate and Toole, contractors who are employed in the state highway work, brought the news to Pendleton today and notified Chief Al Roberts to be on the watch for the men. Chief Roberts says that Pendleton is ready to deal with the "wobblies" and that no I. W. W. activities will be tolerated.

PRINCE OF WALES IS IN LONDON AGAIN AFTER U. S. VISIT

LONDON, Dec. 1.—The Prince of Wales arrived here today from Portsmouth where he landed after completing his voyage from New York.

55 Inches of Snow.

The snow reading in Pendleton is 55 inches today. The maximum temperature is 32 with a minimum of 29. The report is from Major Lee Moorhouse, weather observer.

"GET BUSY!"



UNITED STATES DISCREDITS CLAIM OF CONSPIRACY; MEXICO WILL HURRY WITH EVIDENCE

Reported Release of Consular Agent From Puebla Jail Heard in El Paso But Not Credited; Alleged Mexico City Answer Will Reveal Threats Made by Prisoner Himself.

39 CANDIDATES FROM EASTERN OREGON TOWNS INITIATED INTO K. OF C.

Walla Walla, Pendleton and Baker Councils Confer Degrees After Morning Mass; Prominent Speakers Present.

One of the biggest events in the history of Pendleton Council 1673, Knights of Columbus, occurred yesterday when a class of 39 candidates from several Eastern Oregon towns took the exemplification of the first, second and third degrees of the order.

The candidates initiated were Thomas Dineen, Frank Smith, A. McCabe, Jim Doyle, John Mulligan and Eugene Newman, all of Clifton; Frank V. Carole, John J. Curtis, R. D. Bradshaw, and Fred Dixon, all of Umatilla; P. A. Roumargoux, A. H. Kloor, J. Dindano, V. Stroble, A. W. Kloor, John McLeod, M. Donhue, Charles Meurer, W. E. O'Rourke, M. Doyle and W. V. Pedro, all of Pendleton; Thomas Bradt, M. M. Jessum, and A. M. Joaquin, both of Echo; John Kilbenny, Jr., of Heppner; Hugh Jackson, of Lexington; Victor Bracher, of Pilot Rock; W. T. Roberts of Hermiston and Eugene Doherty, of Leve. One man from the state of Washington, Karl C. Amann, of Spokane, was initiated also.

Attend Mass in Morning.

The candidates, with local members and visiting knights met at the K. of C. hall at 8:30 a. m., marching from there to St. Mary's Catholic church, where they attended high mass. Father Van Hoomissen officiated. St. Mary's choir gave special music under the direction of Eugene Molitor. After service the candidates had luncheon at Hohbachs grill. P. J. Heister being in charge of the arrangements.

The exemplification of the three degrees took place in the Odd Fellows hall at 1:30 p. m. The first degree was put on by the Walla Walla council, the second by the Pendleton Catholic Ladies Guild. During the degree music by a three piece orchestra, with Mrs. Bert McDonald at the piano, Bert McDonald, violin, and Leo Molitor, cello, was a feature. The hall was attractively decorated in paper, cloth and other sketches by George Hennessy, of Portland, were much enjoyed.

Bill Being Held Up.

Bills for December phone rent, which are ordinarily sent out from Portland in advance of the first of the month, have not yet been received by the local office. It was said this afternoon. While the local exchange has not been notified of any action by the commission, it is surmised here that (Continued on page 6.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Declaring his belief that the prejury charge against him is unfounded, the United States has reiterated its demand that Mexico immediately release from prison Consular Agent Jenkins. It is officially announced here today. The reiterated demand was made in the American reply to the Mexican refusal to release Jenkins. It is assumed it has already reached the Mexican foreign office, as it was sent Sunday.

The note characterized as "mere excuses" Mexico's reasons for not releasing Jenkins. Secretary Lansing's communication to Carranza brushes aside the Mexican reply to the first note, saying "The United States is not to be driven into defense of its request for the release of Consular Agent Jenkins. It is for Mexico to show cause for his detention, not for the United States to plead for his liberation."

To Forward Evidence

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 1.—Evidence tending to show that American Consular Agent Jenkins is guilty of perjury in connection with his recent kidnapping will be forwarded to the United States immediately. It was officially stated here today. It is alleged that evidence will also show that Jenkins was guilty of threatening the lives of workers if they revealed he had a conference with bandit leaders previous to his abduction by them.

Release Reported

EL PASO, Dec. 1.—A report that Consular Agent Jenkins has been released from Puebla jail has been given currency here today by Mexican Consul Garcia and Vice Consul Sandoval but it not vouched for by them. They said they heard it in Juarez, and traced it to a Chihuahua City newspaper, but are unable to confirm it. The report is not believed at army headquarters here.

EIGHT GET IN MESHES OF CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

Warning of a clean-up of undesirable moral characters was issued by Chief of Police Roberts today, following a weekend of activity in rounding up several couples on disorderly conduct charges. As a result of the campaign, the city coffers were swelled \$200 this morning.

J. E. Wadkin, who gives his home as Yakima; Miss Marion Martin, of Thermopolis, Wyoming, and A. Arthur, of Portland, were arrested Sunday morning together in a room on Cottonwood street. They were charged with disorderly conduct under the immoral acts and practices ordinance and each put up \$25 bail for appearance in court this morning. None appeared and their bail was declared forfeited. It is understood that they left town.

The house in which they were found has been under police surveillance for some time and the chief of police said that complaint would be lodged against its owners as soon as City Attorney James A. Fee returns from Portland.

L. W. Le Bedeau and John J. Bentley paid fines of \$25 each in police court this morning on charges of disorderly conduct. According to the chief's story the men had an altercation over a woman Thursday night but they were not arrested until Saturday.

Three young women, of the alleged parasite type, were accosted by the chief Saturday with instructions to mend their ways or depart from Pendleton. Two are known to have left. The chief reports, while investigation was being made today regarding the movements of the third. These cases, he said, are only the forerunners of several likely to come to light.

BOY HUNTER SHOTS SELF

PORTLAND, Dec. 1.—George Urban, 18 years old, of 729 north Smith avenue, accidentally shot himself in the right arm while hunting ducks on Columbia slough yesterday. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital last night. The boy had lost a great quantity of blood and was weak. His condition was serious.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE STARTS AT HIGH SCHOOL

Each-day practice started today at Pendleton high school. Girls' teams had the floor the first hour and the freshmen and junior teams played 5 to 6. The teams were vigorous in practice, thereby giving all players an equal chance.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Tuesday fair, colder.