

# CARRANZA SAYS ARMS ONLY NEED

## Rebel Leader States Position Plainly to Americans.

### Would Not Tolerate Outside Interference in Mexican Affairs—Conferences Continue.

Nogales, Sonora.—Before going into a second conference with William Bayard Hale, President Wilson's special envoy, General Venustiano Carranza made the most explicit and definite statement he has yet uttered with reference to Huerta, the United States and the constitutionalist revolutionary movement, of which he is the head.

"We will accept no transactions," he said, "nor the interference of any nation to regulate Mexico's interior conditions."

After the conference, which continued for two hours, Carranza was non-committal. Envoy Hale remained silent, but it was evident that the parleys begun Wednesday were not finished.

Carranza's statement, however, referred to the negotiations with Washington and also to the suggestion from the American capital that further bloodshed might be avoided and peace and order restored if the contending factions could get together through the American agents, Hale and Lind, and agree on a provisional president, acceptable to all, who would serve until a chief executive was chosen at a full and free election.

"The only thing which we ask and which we are trying to obtain from the United States is the free importation of arms into Mexico."

This was the final sentence of the statement which was given out as a final declaration and, spoken slowly and with a studied choice of words, it had the effect of finally with regard to any proposition which required of the constitutionalists anything further than pledges that they would eliminate Huerta in a short time if allowed to import war munitions and establish order and representative government within a reasonable time.

## DARWIN THEORY SHAKEN BY PREHISTORIC CRANIUM

New York.—Dr. J. Leon Williams, of London, an eminent authority on anthropology and geology, has arrived here from Liverpool with 15 skulls of prehistoric man, one of which he estimated to be 500,000 years old. This skull was found by workmen near Folkestone, England, in strata that dated back before the Pleistocene era and its existence and discovery have confirmed Dr. Williams in the belief that mankind is at least 500,000 years old.

Dr. Williams said the finding of these ancient skulls and other human bones did not disprove, in his opinion, the Darwinian theory, but altered it in some degree. Instead of man's being a descendant of the ape, Dr. Williams said, these skulls tended to confirm the belief that the anthropoid ape was an off-spring of primitive man.

## I. W. Ws. Are Escorted Out of Florence, Or.

Florence, Or.—Citizens of Florence recently escorted nine Industrial Workers of the World, who had established headquarters here, to a boat on which they took them to the mouth of the Siuslaw river and headed them north along the beach, with instructions to "keep going." There was no disorder in town after the boat had departed.

The I. W. W. members came to Florence about two weeks ago and rented a room, which was used as headquarters. A meeting was held and I. W. W. speeches were made.

Citizens decided to await developments, and learned the organization intended to bring 100 members to Florence.

A meeting of citizens was held and it was decided that the I. W. W. headquarters would not be tolerated. Two hundred citizens called at headquarters at 11 A. M. and informed the I. W. W. scouts they were not wanted in the city, requested them to go and be out by 11:45 A. M. The members were permitted to stay for the night, but the furniture they had bought and furnished with food and money for travel.

## 7-Story Building Falls.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.—With a roar that was heard for blocks, the rear 40 feet of a seven-story building nearing completion collapsed at 3:20 Saturday afternoon, carrying with it 14 men who were working on the concrete roof slab.

Four have been taken from the ruins, severely injured, and the others are believed to be buried under a huge mass of concrete, fire tile and twisted steel used in the construction. Among the missing is William Lowe, superintendent of construction, of Waterloo, Ia.

## Suffragettes Hurl Dead Cat.

London.—Viscount Haldane, the lord high chancellor, speaking at Edinburgh, and Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, addressing an audience at Bristol, were subjected to suffragette indignities. A dead cat, thrown at Mr. Birrell, set the meeting in an uproar. The offenders were ejected and a general flight ensued.

## \$4 Clerk Now President.

Chicago.—Thomas E. Wilson, who entered the employ of Morris & Co. at a salary of \$4 a week, was elected president of that company Saturday. Mr. Wilson succeeds the late Edward Morris.

## Europe Supports U. S. in Mexican Problem

Washington, D. C.—United support from the great powers abroad for the American policy toward Mexico, shown in a variety of quiet diplomatic activities, gave President Wilson and Secretary Bryan confidence Saturday that the elimination of General Huerta as provisional president of Mexico soon would be an accomplished fact.

That the financial blockade instituted by the United States had effectively tied the purse strings of Europe, that diplomatic pressure was being exerted on all sides at Mexico City, that close friends of Huerta were applying their influence and persistent reports saying Huerta had gone into mysterious seclusion combined to raise the hopes of the Washington government that definite progress toward solving the Mexican problem was being made.

An exchange of cablegrams with Ambassador Page, an agreement by Great Britain to leave the solution of the Mexican problem in the hands of the United States and an announcement that no moral or financial support would be granted by England to the Huerta regime, set forth in London press dispatches, created a favorable impression throughout official Washington.

It was felt that Great Britain, France, Germany and other nations now stood together in acquiescence to the plan of the United States for the elimination of Huerta.

President Wilson had prepared a statement of the situation, outlining the communications presented by Charles O'Shaughnessy and John Lind, but within a few hours such favorable advices had been received as to cause the president to withhold the document from publication.

## Uniform Food Laws Proposed Among States

Washington, D. C.—Practical methods of co-operation between federal and state food, dairy and drug authorities will be discussed at a conference at the department of agriculture. Seventy officials, representing 40 states, the District of Columbia and Porto Rico, have accepted Secretary Houston's invitation to attend. Conflicting national and state laws will be considered by the conference with a view to having the differences adjusted.

Secretary Houston hopes to devise means for placing federal experts at the disposal of states unable to employ such service in the enforcement of their laws. On the other hand, the state authorities will be asked to assist the national government by calling attention to the interstate shipments of products which are evidently in violation of the federal law.

## MESSAGE TO BE SHORT AND READ IN PERSON

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson has announced that he will read in person his first annual message to congress.

The president thus far has read three brief addresses—on the tariff, the currency and the Mexican affairs—but it was not definitely known whether his first communication to the regular session of congress would be in accordance with the century-old precedent which he revived last March.

Mr. Wilson told inquirers that he had just begun work on the address. He indicated that no such long and voluminous messages as have heretofore been sent by presidents to congress will be prepared by him.

## Big Lumber Combine Threatens Washington

Spokane, Wash.—A big consolidation of lumber mills in Spokane and eastern Washington is under way, according to reports which have been quite generally circulated in the city the last few days. While the officials of the mills most prominently mentioned in connection with the proposed merger are reluctant to admit that such plans are being considered, it is known that such a move has been discussed and it is probable that the near future will see the actual results.

While no figures are obtainable as to the amount which such a merger would involve, it is estimated that it would be in the neighborhood of \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

## Many Join National Guard.

Portland.—With the Mexican situation prominent officers of the Oregon national guard are having a comparatively easy time recruiting the various companies up to war strength in accordance with orders issued recently by Adjutant-General Finzer.

Although no reports of numbers have been compiled, General Finzer says the campaign for recruits has resulted in the majority of companies being swelled practically to the limit. The recruiting has been going on throughout the state where companies of the guard are stationed.

## Army Buys Heavy Horses.

Baker, Or.—For the first time since range horses sold for from \$10 to \$20 the United States army has invaded the Baker district to buy horses. Saturday 70 animals were picked from 100 or more offered by ranchers of the Baker valley. The sale, held on a ranch near Baker, strikingly indicated the rise in prices, the horses selling at from \$85 to \$110. All were big bays, from 15 to 18 hands high, and 900 to 1300 pounds, for cavalry and artillery work.

## Citizens Buy City's Bonds.

San Francisco.—The city's "counter sale" of municipal bonds has been concluded by three purchasers, who paid \$370,000 for 370 bonds, the last of an issue of \$3,045,000. The bonds were the remnant of city hall, sewer and school issue which had been refused by bankers at par on the ground that there was no market for them as 5 per cent securities. The sale began on August 18.

# Oregon Apples Bring More Than Expected

Hood River.—At a board of directors' meeting of the Apple Growers' association it was learned that the prices to growers are going to exceed expectations.

H. H. Davidson, president of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, said: "Our sales manager, Mr. Sieg, submitted a statement to the directors at their meeting showing 195 cars shipped prior to November 1, which netted back to growers the sum of \$86,754.96, which is an average of a little more than \$1.50 a box for all cars, which included extra fancy, fancy, special, choice and cooking grades.

"The last big price year was in 1909, when Hood River sent out less

than 150 cars total, with an average price for all grades and varieties not exceeding the record this year, and our sales manager now has unfilled orders on his desk for more cars than he shipped prior to November 1, at as good and even better prices.

"Last season was disastrous, and growers in Hood River, as well as in the entire Northwest lost confidence and developed into chronic kickers. But the same fellows who could not avert last year's disaster are doing a work this season which far more than offsets last year's deal."

Mr. Davidson has gone East and will stop at points in Idaho and at Denver and Chicago, making a survey of market conditions.

# Oregon Horticulturists Prepare Fine Program

Among the papers to be presented and discussed at the 28th annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society at Portland, December 10-13, and during the same week as the livestock show are the following:

"Foreign Markets for Our Fruit," Hon. H. B. Miller. Being the results obtained by Mr. Miller as chairman of the committee on foreign markets in writing to United States consuls.

"Uses of fruits from a domestic science standpoint; cooking values in various months," Miss Ava B. Millam, domestic science department, Oregon Agricultural college.

"Co-operative Canneries; Experiences During the Past Year," George Tinker, manager Corvallis cannery; J. O. Holt, manager Eugene cannery; H. C. Atwell, manager Forest Grove cannery.

"Drying Prunes and Loganberries," F. R. Brown, Oregon Agricultural college.

"Fertilizers; Recent Experiments in Orchard Fertilization," F. C. Bradford, Oregon Agricultural college.

"Transportation by steamer; Special Reference to the Panama Canal," "Drying Apples and By-Products,"

## University Offers Free Service to State Towns

University of Oregon, Eugene.—In a letter to the mayor of each city and town of the state, to each county court and to other officials, the university of Oregon has just offered an extraordinary service. This service is to be absolutely free and is to be performed by members of the University's regular faculty. It is a service that would cost hundreds and perhaps thousands of dollars to each community if outside experts had to be engaged; many Oregon communities, in fact, are believed to have gone without this much-needed service rather than incur the expense.

Busy officials often do not have time to keep up with the latest developments in the fields of public accounting, city planning, government organization, such as the commission government or city management plan and the treatment of defective and delinquent classes. This department plans to collect the results of the experience of other cities and communities throughout the country and make all this information available for those who wish to know what is the best thought on their respective problems.

## Lecturers Furnished for Public Library Courses

University of Oregon, Eugene.—Lecturers from the regular faculty of the university of Oregon are available for public library courses anywhere in the state, without expense to the library or to the hearers, and inquiries are becoming numerous. The cities of Coos Bay, Marshfield, North Bend, Bandon, Coquille and Myrtle Point are trying to arrange a series whereby each university professor in the series would give a lecture in the public library of each city. A series running to the close of the college year has been arranged for Salem and a series of three or four lectures weekly is scheduled for Portland main, branch and suburban libraries, as far as January 9. Other places negotiating are Newberg, Astoria, Pendleton and Silverton.

## Crater Lake Road Is Now Finished to Rim

Klamath Falls.—The government road builders in Crater Lake Park have made good progress this season. The road by way of Sand Creek and the Pinnacles has been completed to the crater's rim, a distance of six and a half miles from the limits of the park. This will be re-surfaced and rolled next season. One and a half miles of permanent road was built from the rim toward Fort Klamath, and several miles of road cleared and partly graded.

## Baker Has Fine Strawberries.

Baker.—Strawberries in the Willamette valley in November may not be out of the way, but there is at least one Baker citizen who has found it possible to grow the Spring berry so that it has ripened at this altitude of almost 4000 feet in the eleventh month. He is Joseph Barton, assistant superintendent of the Sumpter Valley railroad, who, in his yard in South Baker, unprotected, has a fine crop of luscious strawberries now ripe. The berries are as fine and as large as those grown at any time of the year.

## Cabinet Backs Wilson in Mexican Policy

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson's cabinet stands firmly behind him in his efforts to force the retirement of Provisional President Huerta as a necessary step to the pacification of Mexico. For more than two hours the cabinet discussed Thursday every phase of the Mexican situation. The consensus of opinion was that the United States should not take a single backward step in its programme to restore constitutional government in Mexico.

It became known that all the secretaries favored steps which would convince Huerta that the United States was in earnest in its demands. Some of the cabinet members recognized in the lifting of the embargo on arms a practical and perhaps early solution of the difficulty, but there was no final decision on the point.

There is a hope on the part of the president and Secretary Bryan that a measure so radical as permitting exportations of arms may not be required to solve the problem. Influences are at work which, in the opinion of many officials, may force the early collapse of the Huerta regime. There is a closer understanding and more frequent communication between the state department here and foreign governments generally than has been in evidence at any time since the Mexican problem came so widely international.

Through ambassadors abroad and through the diplomatic corps in Washington, Secretary Bryan is giving such detailed information of the American policy as to leave no doubt of what the United States wishes accomplished. So far as is known there have been no direct requests for foreign support, but the strong intimations that the United States would like foreign nations to refrain completely from interference in the affairs of the Huerta government are expected to produce tangible results.

What the United States is seeking is an acquiescence in its policy by the powers, such an approval to carry with it discouragement of financial aid to the Huerta regime through foreign channels. A few weeks of financial isolation, it is believed by high officials here, will force the retirement of Huerta.

## Hill Lines To Build Big Docks at Astoria

To accommodate the two mighty steamers that will ply between Astoria and San Francisco after January 1, 1915, the Hill railway interests plan some extensive improvements at Astoria that will put that city distinctly on the map, and at the same time make Portland a greater seaport than ever.

According to the plans for the steamship line, as announced yesterday by James J. Hill in his speech before the Portland Transportation club, these ships will be the finest that modern marine engineers can design. To take care of the 525 feet of their length, great docks will have to be constructed. To reach the dock to transfer thereto the loads of passengers and freight, new tracks must be laid. To load the vessels with the down coast cargoes, great derricks and cranes must be erected.

It was stated at the office of President Joseph H. Young of the North Bank this morning that these improvements will not be undertaken for several months.

## "Spugs" Make Plans for Nation-Wide Campaign

New York.—A country-wide appeal for the abolition of the useless Christmas gift and a plea for intelligent and thoughtful giving instead were voiced by Mrs. August Belmont, president of the Spugs, at the opening meeting of the 1913 campaign to be waged by that organization against insincerity, compulsion, and waste in Christmas giving.

At this meeting the membership rolls of the Spugs—the Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving—were thrown open to all residents of the United States who might want to enroll against the foolish Christmas gift.

Mrs. J. Borden Harriman presided at the meeting. Mrs. Belmont was the orator. The original purpose of the society, she said, was to prevent compulsory giving by girls in stores and factories to their employers, the custom of collective giving, which the girls felt they could not afford, but which they could not avoid without embarrassment and positive loss of their positions.

## Wedding Cake Is Huge.

New York.—Miss Jessie Wilson's wedding cake was baked here Thursday. The first layer of the cake is four inches thick and 22 inches across. When ready for the knife the cake will weigh 135 pounds, and will be two and one-half feet tall, including the vase of white orchids to be placed on top. It will cost about \$500, and will contain 19 ingredients. In 2000 dainty white boxes, tied with satin ribbon, the cake will be distributed, each box the proper size to go under one pillow to dream on.

## Messenger Confers With Carranza.

Nogales, Sonora.—Bayard Hale crossed the international line into Mexico at 9 o'clock Wednesday night and immediately went into conference with General Carranza. It was indicated that the meeting was merely preliminary to formal conferences to be begun between the man supposed to be the personal representative of President Wilson and the leader of the constitutionalists.

## HALE CONFERS WITH CARRANZA

## Rebel Leader Welcomes President's Representative.

### All Ceremony Is Waived—Definite Pledges Exact in Case Embargo on Arms Is Lifted.

Mexico City.—John Lind, personal representative of President Wilson, left the Mexican capital for Vera Cruz. Mr. Lind has been here since November 7 in conference with the American charge d'affaires, Nelson O'Shaughnessy, and others, on the Mexican situation.

Vera Cruz, Mex.—The personal effects of Mr. Lind were removed from his hotel, where he has resided during his stay in Vera Cruz, to the American consulate.

Nogales, Sonora.—Crossing a narrow little street from the United States into Mexico, William Bayard Hale, personal representative of President Wilson, met the constitutionalist chief, General Venustiano Carranza, and his cabinet, and presented to them a definite proposal from the American government.

What that proposal was the American diplomatic agent declined to say. The Mexican revolutionary leaders also were silent, but to those who have been anxiously awaiting the development of the American policy with respect to Mexico it was fraught with possibilities for the destinies of the war-worn republic and her relations with her northern neighbor.

All that could be learned regarding the proposal of the American president was that it was in writing and that it required certain things, including pledges from the constitutionalists, in case the United States lifted the embargo on the exportation of arms.

Among the guarantees demanded were said to be restoration of general order in a reasonable time, safety of Americans and other foreigners and the ultimate establishment of bona fide representative government.

Into a little room of the tiny customhouse, where General Carranza has established his "ad interim" capital, the American emissary was ushered to meet the chiefs of the rebellion against Huerta. Carranza and his entire cabinet were there and with them Hale conferred, exchanged views and impressions and consulted from noon until the shadows grew long and enveloped the twin towns of Nogales, U. S. A., and Nogales, Republica de Mexico.

Both towns unanimously decided that the conference was the most portentous event in their history.

## HUNDREDS KILLED BY PERUVIAN EARTHQUAKE

Lima, Peru.—Official telegrams report a continuation of earthquakes in the province of Ayumarea in the department of Apurimaco. The city of Challhuano, capital of the province, with a population of nearly 4000, is reported to be in ruins. A private telegram says that the deaths number more than 200.

Apurimaco is a southwestern department of Peru, with a population of nearly 200,000. It is composed of the provinces of Abancay, Ayumarea, Anta and Cotabambas and a portion of Ayacucho.

## Four Miners Buried in Alaskan Avalanche

Valdez, Alaska.—Robert Martin was killed and John Connelly, Warren Nelson and E. S. Bruner were injured in an avalanche on the Big Four mining claims on Mineral creek, near here. One of the survivors was beneath the debris seven hours.

Bruner, Nelson, Connelly and Martin were overwhelmed in their tent by an avalanche of snow that descended and carried them and their tent to within 10 feet of a 1000-foot precipice.

Bruner chopped his way out of the debris by using a part of a whiskey flask as a knife. Naked and badly cut, he walked a quarter of a mile to the tunnel and procured a shovel, with which he dug out his companions.

## Typhoon Wrecks U. S. Collier.

Washington, D. C.—First news of a great typhoon, which swept the island of Guam and threw the collier Ajax ashore, came to the navy department in a report from Lieutenant-Commander Hinds, governor of the island and commander of the naval station there. One American was drowned—Hospital Steward George M. Nicholson, who was sent ashore with a rescue party from the Ajax.

The storm demolished native houses and destroyed roads, wharves, lighters and telegraph and telephone poles.

## Dog Bite Costs Company \$3500.

St. Louis.—A jury in the circuit court here awarded Albert J. Good \$3500 damages against the United Railways, the local traction company, because he was bitten by a dog while he was riding on a streetcar. The dog was picked up on the street by a policeman, who was permitted by the streetcar conductor to board the car with the animal.

## Women Side-Step Politics.

New Orleans.—The Daughters of the Confederacy refused flatly to receive greetings from the Southern States Woman Suffrage Conference, after the organization of that body was effected. This action was taken on the grounds that the Daughters must eschew politics of all kinds.