

U. S. TROOPS TO STAY IN MEXICO

Carranza Must Show Ability to Restore and Keep Order.

ENTIRE BANDIT AREA WILL BE POLICED

Plan of Re-Disposing Rescue Forces Approved—Funston Will Have Free Hand in Campaign,

Washington, D. C.—Behind the formal announcement Sunday that President Wilson had approved a plan or re-disposition of the American troops in Mexico, there was a plain intimation that the Washington government had determined to maintain a military status quo beyond the border until the Mexican de facto government had demonstrated its ability to capture or crush Villa and his adherents and prevent repetitions of the Columbus raid.

In the interim it is understood the American troops will be so placed as to safeguard the border towns by virtually policing the area south of the line where General Carranza has been unable to check bandit operations.

Secretary Barker announced the approval of the re-disposition plan after consulting with the President over a joint report submitted by Major General Funston and Major General Scott, chief of staff, in conference on the border. The plan was proposed by General Funston and concurred in by General Scott.

The secretary announced the administration's decision as follows: "General Funston has recommended a re-disposition of the forces in Mexico for the purpose of recuperation and pending opportunities for further cooperation with the forces of the de facto government in Mexico. The recommendation has been approved and its execution left to his discretion."

Later the secretary dictated the following:

"The statement I have made indicates nothing whatever on the subject of when the American troops will be withdrawn from Mexico. The whole subject of withdrawal of the forces is under arrangement and negotiations by the State department."

He said positively that no regiments had been ordered to the border and that no such order was in contemplation.

The new military plan leaves the pursuit of Villa at a standstill, but frees General Funston's hands to make the position of the forces in Mexico secure by grouping them in posts of such strength as to protect them from attack. It will also serve as a plain warning to General Carranza that he must bend every effort toward securing complete control of the territory south of the most advanced American post if he hopes to have the troops recalled.

Czar Narrowly Missed by Austrian Airman's Bomb

Berlin—A narrow escape for Emperor Nicholas of Russia from death or serious injury by bombs dropped by an Austrian airman during a visit of the emperor to a southern sector of the Russian line, is reported in Stockholm advices.

"The emperor was reviewing the troops in company with General Brusiloff, commander of the Russian forces on the Southwestern front, when an Austro-Hungarian flier appeared and dropped numerous bombs, which landed among the troops, who fled in wild disorder," according to the news agency statement.

"The emperor," according to the report, "was hurt and had a narrow escape, the incident causing him to lose his self-possession entirely. In consequence, General Brusiloff was bitterly reproached and General Ivanoff was recalled to the Southwestern front headquarters."

Flood Expels Germans.

Berlin, via London—German forces were compelled to evacuate newly-won trenches on the Langemarek-Ypres road on account of high floods, which made the consolidation of the positions impossible, according to the official statement issued Monday.

A hand grenade attack made by the English south of St. Elou was repulsed, French trenches on the left bank of the Meuse, southeast of Harcourt and west of Dead Man's hill, were captured.

Sussex U-Boat Uncaught.

Berlin—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.—Delayed in transmission.)—"The story that the French captured a German submarine which had sunk the steamer Sussex is absolutely untrue," said a leading personage of the admiralty staff Monday. "We know which submarine the French have. It was trapped some time after the Sussex episode and had nothing to do with the Sussex. We have no confirmation of the report that the commander and crew of the submarine were saved, but hope that this is the fact."

Thousand Lost in Disaster.

Shanghai—More than 1000 soldiers and men of the crew of the steamer Hsin Yu were lost when the steamer sank after a collision with the cruiser Hai-Yung Saturday night south of the Chusan islands. The steamer, acting as a transport, was taking troops to Foochow. The collision occurred in a thick fog and only one foreign engineer, 20 soldiers and nine sailors out of six foreigners and more than 1000 soldiers and members of the crew were saved.

ONE CENT DUTY ON SUGAR MAY CONTINUE INDEFINITELY

Washington, D. C.—Late Saturday the senate approved the house bill repealing the free sugar section of the tariff law, under which sugar would have gone on the free list May 1.

By a vote of 59 to 10 the senate receded from an amendment which it had passed extending duty of 1 cent a pound for four years, and which the house refused to agree to in conference.

Democratic senators cast all of the 10 votes against supporting the house measure, which provides for a flat appeal, thus extending the present duty indefinitely.

The repeal sought by the administration to keep up revenues now needs only the President's signature to become effective. The 1-cent duty yields about \$50,000,000 annually. Senate Democrats, finding the house unyielding in its stand for a flat repeal, de-

"Peck's Bad Boy" Dead



George W. Peck, former governor of Wisconsin, but who was known to fame as author of "Peck's Bad Boy" long before he became a governor, has just died. Most of the successful men of today had to hide in the barn to read "Peck's Bad Boy."

German Embassy Anxious for Return of Seized Documents

Washington, D. C.—Papers seized in New York by the department of Justice from Wolfe von Igel, former secretary to Captain Franz von Papen, recalled German military attaché, will not be restored to the German embassy until Count von Bernstorff distinguishes between the official and personal matter in the documents.

It was not believed that the German embassy would agree to this procedure, contending there is no authority for the removal of papers of any kind from the person or possession of a diplomatic agent. Embassy officials are disturbed at the idea that the department of Justice intends to keep photographic copies of the papers, and it was said that Count von Bernstorff would demand not only the originals, plates and catalogue of the documents which is understood to have been made by the department of Justice. Ambassador von Bernstorff is understood to be awaiting instructions from Berlin.

Von Igel's immunity from prosecution as an employee of the German embassy was not accepted by diplomatic officials. Immunity, it was said, was interpreted as extending only to the ambassador and his household.

President Yuan of China Will Permit Cabinet to Govern

Washington, D. C.—The Chinese legation announces receipt of the following dispatch from Peking:

"The military governor of Kiangsu, General Feng Kuo Chang, commander of the best organized troops and one of the most influential leaders in China, sided by the civil and military governors of the 17 provinces, has come forward to arrange on behalf of the central government with the leaders of the five other provinces which have either declared independence or remained neutral in regard to the plans of reorganization to be carried out.

"Nanking is the headquarters of General Feng Kuo Chang, and the report that this city has declared its neutrality is a pure rumor.

"President Yuan Shi Kai issued a mandate authorizing the secretary of State, Hsu Shi Kang, to organize a cabinet government in place of the present presidential system. Under the new system of government the heads of the various ministries will assume joint responsibility for the conduct of national affairs."

Planes Reduced to Junk.

Columbus, N. M.—The United States army is in possession of a half dozen planes of junk that were aeroplanes at the beginning of the present campaign in Mexico. Of the eight flying machines that sailed south from here a short time ago, in the chase for Villa, only two were able to fly back this week. The remainder of the others are "somewhere in Mexico," and the engines are to be brought back on motor trucks, the rest having been burned. Their pilots are returning to Columbus by slow means of transportation.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.03 per bushel; fortyfold, 92c; club, 91c; red Fife, 91c; red Russian, 91c.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$23.50 per ton; alfalfa, old crop, \$19.50@21.

Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$23 per ton; shorts, \$26; rolled barley, \$31.50@32.50.

Corn—Whole, \$36 per ton; cracked, \$37.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c per dozen; tomatoes, \$3.50@4 per crate; cabbage, \$2.25@3 per hundred; garlic, 10c per pound; peppers, 17@20c; eggplant, 20c; horseradish, 5c; cauliflower, 75c@81.25; lettuce, \$2@2.25 per crate; cucumbers, \$1.25 @ 1.50; spinach, 4@5c pound; asparagus, local, \$1.50 dozen; California, \$2.25@2.75 per box; rhubarb, 2@3c per pound; peas, 7c.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Oregon, \$1.50@1.60 per sack; Yakimas, \$1.60 @ 1.75; new California, 6@7c; per pound. Buying price: Oregon, \$1@1.20.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.35 @ 1.75 per sack; Texas Bermudas, yellow, \$2 per crate; white, \$2.10.

Green Fruit—Strawberries, \$1.25@1.35 per crate; apples, \$1@1.60 per box; cranberries, \$11 per barrel.

Eggs—Jobbing prices: Oregon ranch, candled, 22@22½c per dozen; unscanned, 21@22c.

Poultry—Hens, 17@17½c per pound; stags, 13c; broilers, 25@30c; turkeys, live, 20@21c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 25@26c; ducks, 14 @ 15c; geese, 10 @ 11c.

Butter—City creamery, prints, extras, 30 @ 34c per pound; country creamery, prints, 29 @ 33c; cubes, extras, 27@29c; butterfat, No. 1, 33c; No. 2, 30c.

Veal—Fancy, 11@12c per pound. Pork—Fancy, 11½@12c per pound.

Hops—1915 crop, 10@12c per pound; 1916 contracts, 10@11c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 21@27c per pound; valley, 30c; mohair, new clip, 40@45c.

Cascara Bark—Old and new, 4c per pound.

Cattle—Steers, choice grain and pulp, \$8.75@9; choice hay, \$8.50@8.75; good, \$8.15@8.50; medium, \$7.75@8.15; cows, choice, \$7.50@7.80; good, \$6.75@7.25; medium, \$6.25@7.25; heifers, \$5@7.15; bulls, \$2.75@6; stags, \$3@5.25.

Hog—Prime light, \$8.90@9.05; good to prime, \$8.50@8.75; rough heavy, \$7.90@8; pigs and skips, \$7.90@8.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$8.25@10; wethers, \$8@9; ewes, \$7@8.25; lambs, \$9.50@11.

U. S. Consul Says Orient Calls for Northwest Products

Consul General John P. Bray, of Singapore, Straits Settlements, who is on leave of absence from his post, arrived on the Pacific Coast last week and has spent a couple of days in Seattle in conference with business men and others interested in trade in the Northwest. The consul general has been in the service of the State department for about 20 years and for a number of years was stationed at Sydney, Australia, but recently was transferred to Singapore, where he not only looks after the affairs of the department of state, but also has charge of the affairs of other countries now at war.

The consul general spent considerable time in the Seattle office of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce and has given to the commercial agent the following statement as to conditions in the Straits Settlements as they probably affect the business of the Pacific Northwest.

"As to the manufacturing interests of the Pacific Northwest, I would say that there is a large opening in the Oriental countries for products of this region. Especially is this true in regard to pine lumber, flour, fruits, canned fish (particularly salmon).

"The development of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States provides a great field for the manufactured steel products of the Pacific Northwest, and especially would I call the attention of manufacturers of this section to the lack of tonnage for the manufactured products to be sent forward."

Wheat Bids Are Advanced.

Portland—Eastern bids for wheat were lacking Thursday, but there was some demand on the local market, and offers at the Exchange were advanced 4 to 2 cents for spot and May delivery. Bradstreet estimates the visible wheat decrease at 1,037,000 bushels, the corn decrease at 1,227,000 bushels, and the oats decrease at 1,976,000 bushels.

Timothy hay is scarce in the local market, and will continue so during the remainder of the season. The price is on a firm basis. Receipts of California grain hay are looked for. Alfalfa is also firm. The outlook is for a record crop of alfalfa in the Northwest this year.

Enlarge Creamery.

Moscow, Idaho—Work has started on the cold storage plant of the Moscow Creamery company, which has closed a contract with a Spokane firm for a four-ton modern equipment, installed. The butter room will have a capacity of 50,000 pounds; one room will be kept at about zero for hardening ice cream; one for manufacture of ice for the use of the creamery only, and one for cream and milk. These will all be in addition to the butter-making department and machinery.

Sugar Prices Soar On.

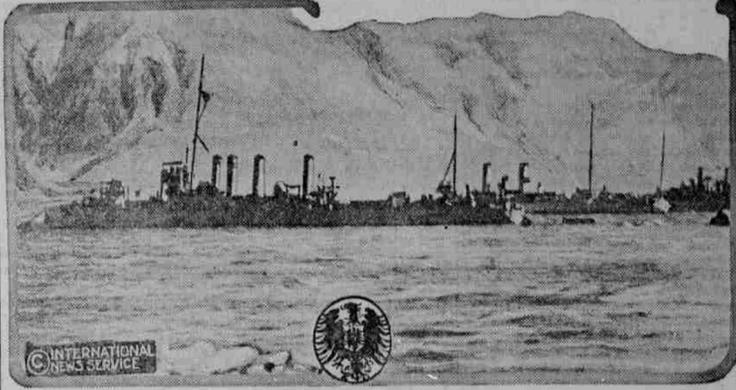
Portland—Sugar prices higher than ever predicted before are predicted by wholesale grocers. As a consequence of the latest advance in the East there will be a 10-cent rise in the Portland market Thursday, which will bring the wholesale price up to \$3 a hundred pounds. The highest price on record was \$3.05, which prevailed soon after the war began. It is likely this record will be exceeded in the next few days, as the Eastern markets are strong. The allies have been heavy purchasers, and this is causing the advance.

U. S. SOLDIERS GUARDING A BRIDGE ON THE BORDER



Twentieth United States Infantry guarding a railroad bridge over which troops must pass going into Mexico.

GERMAN FLEET WAITING FOR A CHANCE TO SLIP OUT

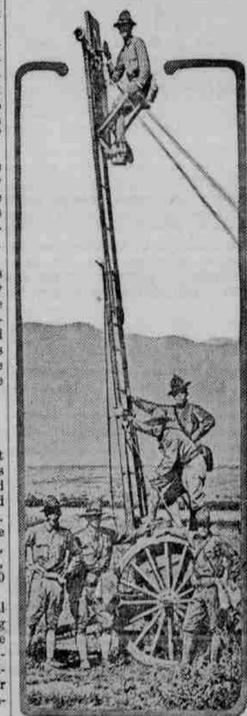


First photograph to arrive in this country showing a portion of the German fleet. It is believed the photograph was taken at Wilhelmshaven, but the exact location was withheld by the censor.

THROUGH DEEP SNOW IN CHAMPAGNE REGION



FIELD OBSERVATION TOWER



The photograph shows a signal service corps operating a field observation tower. This type of tower will be of the greatest service in the Mexican expedition.

Non-Existent.

"What is meant by 'honesty in politics'?" asked the seeker after useless knowledge.

"Honesty in politics" mused the cynical man. "Hum. I should say the term is used only in a humorous sense, as when people talk about the modesty of a seminude dancer or the loquacity of a clam."

A Dark Outlook.

"How is Newt Watson gittin' along in his campaign for constable?"

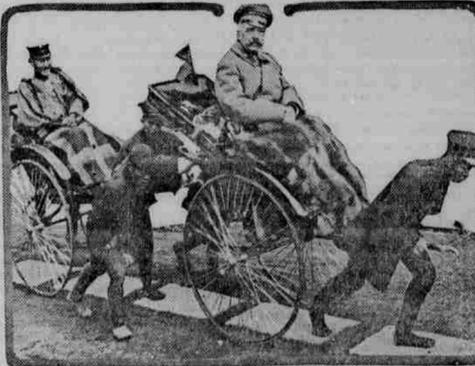
"I'm afraid he's goin' to get licked. He ain't makin' it appear that if we want to uphold the administration we've got to do it by electin' him."

Where?

"Hold your tongue and you may pass for a philosopher," says an Italian proverb.

"But where can you point to anybody who got rich being a philosopher?"

CZAR'S COUSIN SIGHTSEEING IN NIKKO



Grand Duke George Mikhailovitch, the czar's envoy to the mikado, sightseeing in a rickshaw. When the czar was visiting Japan many years ago he was attacked by an assassin and it was the rickshaw boy who saved his life.

SONS OF THE KING OF BULGARIA



This picture shows the sons of the king of Bulgaria in the service uniform of the army, taken just before they left for the front. They are Crown Prince Boris and Prince Cyril.

POSTSCRIPTS

Recently perfected electric turnstiles for public places permit a person to pass only when a coin is dropped in a slot, registering the number of persons passing it at any convenient place.

Because frosts do the most damage when the air is calm a Paris scientist has advanced the theory that orchards and vineyards can be protected by electric fans to keep the atmosphere moving.

The government of Holland is planning to establish direct wireless communication between the home country and the Dutch East Indies.

An imitation hand attached to the side of his automobile is used by a California merchant to warn traffic that his car is about to turn a corner.

A Paris engineer has developed an electrical method for the economical recovery of tin from scrap metal.

Spain prohibits the importation of cottonseed oil unless previously rendered unfit for human consumption.

Adrift with Humor



PURCHASE YOUR CHECK FIRST

Young American Author, Who Dared to Signal Pompadour Waitress, Receives Rude Jolt.

A young American author, who was exposing his films for fresh impressions of his birthplace, after several years' absence in Europe, wandered into what he calls "a hot-chocolate saloon for women," to see how American girls publicly indulge in strong drink. Another man was adrift in the crowd of petticoats, and following his example the author ventured to signal a pompadour waitress. "A cup of chocolate," he murmured. The waitress transfixed him with a suspicious stare.

"Come, now; hand over your check." "Check?" he replied.

"Oh, don't tell me you've forgotten it. You don't get chocolate till I get a check."

The returned American will go back to Europe. They are politer, he declares, in any brasserie in France.

Parental Anxieties.

"George Washington was the father of his country."

"So I've heard," commented Farmer Cornsloss. "I sometimes wonder whether he had any more worry than his father to an entire country than I've had been' father to my boy Josh."

When Skirts Are Short.

"Why does that Pinkum girl make up her face so strikingly?" asked Maude.

"She interferes when she walks," replied Maymie. "She has to make up her face to draw attention from her feet."

No Telling.

"How long will it take to prepare?" "No telling," replied Senator Sorghum, "if the ordinary course is pursued and a lot of preliminary investigations are held."

In Doubt.

"That man has been sending me sentimental letters and valentines for three years," remarked Miss Cayenna. "He is attentive."

"Yes. But I can't feel sure whether it's a courtship or a diplomatic interchange."

As Suggested.

"I'm at a loss to know whether this article is intended to be humorous or otherwise," said the village editor. "Why not run it in the puzzle column and let the subscribers guess?" suggested the assistant.

One Thing at a Time.

"Do you think we can excuse what your political friends are trying to do?"

"The excuse part isn't hard," replied Senator Sorghum, "after it's all over. The question is, Can we do it?"

Not to Blame.

Customer (indignantly)—That parrot you sold us hadn't been in the house a day before it began to swear dreadfully.

Dealer—You asked me for one that would be quick to learn, mum.

Its Kind.

"Here, that fellow Jinks borrowed my umbrella just for an hour last week, and he hasn't returned it yet." "I guess his borrowing it for an hour was just a put-up job."

Accounted For.

"The woman in the courtroom this morning had a face that would stop a clock."

"It did, when her husband got mad and threw the clock at her."

THEIR FIRST QUARREL.



Mr. Newed—Was there any fool in love with you before I married you?

Mrs. Newed—Yes, one.

Mr. Newed—I'm sorry you rejected him.

Mrs. Newed—I didn't; I married him.

Making Peace.

"Your wife and your mother-in-law are looking for you."

"Do you think they are working together, or can I see my wife first and cook up a separate treaty?"

Ups and Downs.

Biggs—Short tells me he is going to turn over a new leaf and settle down.

Diggs—Well, he owes me ten dollars. I hope he settles up before he settles down.