

## TROOPS LINE BORDER

### Americans Resting on Arms Ready to Cross Line.

Patrol Being Rapidly Re-inforced—Vasquistas Approach Juarez and Residents Flee.

El Paso—Four troops of United States cavalry patrol the Rio Grande with orders to cross into Ciudad Juarez, if necessary, to protect American life and property.

With the 22d Infantry and three companies of artillery entrained at San Antonio for this city, and at least 1,000 Vasquistas at Bauche, 14 miles south of Juarez, the situation generally is considered the most critical since the recent outbreak in Chihuahua.

The troops at Bauche are commanded by Colonel Inez Salszar, who, it is understood, will soon demand the formal surrender of Juarez. It is hardly believed any show of resistance will be made, as Juarez is garrisoned only by about 100 men.

That General Pasqual Orozco will remain loyal to Madero is the statement contained in a message from Governor Gonzales to Mexican Consul Enrique C. Lorente in El Paso. Lorente also declared he had received advice that Antonio Rojas and Barulio Hernandez, rebel leaders, had been captured, but further confirmation was unobtainable.

Anticipating unexpected developments, Juarez residents moved their portable effects to the American side.

United States and Mexican secret service operatives and Texas Rangers seized a manifesto issued by Gonzalo Enrile, former Mexican consul at Brussels. The manifesto makes an attack on the president of the United States, accusing him of "being responsible for the troubles of Mexico and Latin America."

Officers are searching for Gonzalo Enrile. The manifesto says in part: "There have been so many bad acts in Mexico caused by your great efforts at expansion and domination, that it would be a crime of lese patria to suffer them in silence longer. You have created, fomented and consummated the revolution which placed in power the traitor who is giving you our country. Your troops have invaded our territory. In the name of the Monroe doctrine you put at half-mast the flags of your sister republics. You appropriated Hawaii, you took the Panama canal zone. The Cubans did not blow up the Maine. Spain did not. Wall street did, with its imperialism. This crime was called 'William McKinley,' and he paid the penalty by a bullet of Czolgoz."

### ARMY THOROUGHLY PREPARED

No Americans Shall Suffer, Is Order From Washington.

Washington, D. C.—Determined that no American lives shall be sacrificed as a result of fighting on the Mexican border, the United States troops along the Rio Grande were reinforced and orders were given that firing into American territory must be stopped, even though it be necessary to cross the boundary line to force compliance.

The order, the most sweeping that has gone out from the White House in the present situation, was issued after a conference between President Taft, Secretary of War Stimson, and Acting Secretary of State Huntington Wilson.

In addition to sending another regiment of infantry and three batteries of field artillery to the Mexican line, orders were issued to division commanders throughout the country to hold their companies in readiness to move at a moment's notice. The acute situation in Mexico has had the effect of putting the army establishment in a high state of preparation, and mobilization on the Rio Grande could be effected quickly if occasion should arise.

### Rebels Raid Americans.

Phoenix, Ariz.—A telegraphic request that one or two troops of cavalry be sent to the border to protect United States citizens against the ravages of Mexican bandits was received here by Governor Hunt from Harry Wheeler, sheriff of Cochise county and ex-captain of the Arizona National Guard. Mexican bandits, according to the telegram, have raided a ranch and killed a man named Elias on the United States side of the international border. The request was referred to the War department.

### Nevada is Raising Cash.

Carson, Nev.—Three bills designed to remedy financial difficulties in the state taxation system were passed at Saturday's session of the legislature here.

One of the bills authorizes the state to borrow \$200,000 from the school funds at 4 per cent interest; a second measure redistributes the state's money into various funds and a third appropriates \$10,000 for the expenses of the present extra session.

### Madero is Asked to Resign.

San Antonio, Tex.—Emilio Vasquez Gomez has telegraphed President Madero, of Mexico, from here asking him to surrender the presidency of the country and prevent further bloodshed and growth of the revolutionary movement. Gomez has been advanced as a presidential possibility by the Vasquistas revolutionists in Mexico.

## AVIATOR LOST ON ICE.

Meets Disaster On Lake Erie and Escapes By Chance.

Erie, Pa.—Earl Sandt, a youthful aviator, the first birdman to fly over the Great Lakes from the United States to Canada, came to grief ten miles out on Lake Erie from Northeast, Pa., when attempting a return flight to the American shore.

While high in the air and 20 miles west of his course, the engine of his biplane stopped. For a while he glided, but suddenly the machine overturned and he was buried unconscious in the wreckage on the ice. How long he remained in this condition Sandt does not know. When he recovered he was saturated with blood from many cuts.

Aided by a pocket compass, Sandt walked ten miles to the American shore, landing at Northeast at 10 o'clock at night. He was found staggering along the shore by boys who were skating and was carried to a hotel. Word then was telephoned to this city.

Sandt is not injured seriously. He was brought here from Northeast at midnight in a special car. Thousands of persons, a brass band and loud blasts from shop whistles greeted him.

## MEXICAN FEDERALISTS WIN.

Rout 2000 Rebels in Fierce Battle With Heavy Loss.

Mexico City—According to a report received here, 900 Federalists attacked 2,000 rebels near Cuernavaca, routing the revolutionists. The Federalists have regained control of Cruz de Piedra, Santa Carla and Huixtla. The rebels were commanded by a brother of Emilio Zapata. It is unofficially reported that 80 men were killed in the engagement.

The town of Aladama, Chihuahua, surrendered to the Vasquistas, without resistance. Forty conspirators were captured.

According to dispatches, General Robles, in command of the Federal forces, led an attack on Zapatistas entrenched in and around Santa Maria. He used artillery freely and drove the rebels from their positions. No estimate of casualties is given. A report says that the rebels also were defeated in a fierce fight near San Pedro, north of Torreón.

El Paso, Texas—In spite of his reported loyalty to President Francisco I. Madero, of Mexico, Vasquistas at Casas Grande has issued a manifesto naming General Pasqual Orozco, commander-in-chief of the revolutionists. No recent word has been received here from Orozco, who at present is in Chihuahua.

Reports from Juarez say that a dozen arrests have been made there of persons charged with inciting mutiny. Another report says that hundreds of rebels are now operating near Juarez and an attack upon the city is feared.

## Y. M. C. A. Indorses Pool.

Walla Walla—That the college students may not have to frequent pool halls in order to play the game, the Y. M. C. A. of Whitman has taken up a movement to have billiard and pool tables put in the Billings Hall dormitory for the use of the boys. This movement is finding a hearty response and it is believed there will be no opposition. Local men are donating money for the purpose.

George Cole, student manager, who last year was expelled from the Methodist conference for dancing and upholding card playing, but who was later reinstated, is at the head of the movement for the billiard and pool tables. He is a senior, chairman of the managerial board, one of the best athletes in school and one of the most popular men of the institution.

## Chinese Brigands Beheaded.

Tientsin—The town of Macheng, some distance in the interior, is besieged by brigands. Strong armed bodies are able to get in and out, but except when accompanied by escorts running into the thousands, the citizens dare not venture outside the walls and are compelled to be continually on the alert to prevent the brigands from breaking in. In the various attempts that have been made to stamp out the outlaws, the authorities have lately captured and beheaded nearly 1,000 of the outlaws.

## Freight to Be Checked.

San Francisco—Attorneys representing 35 railroads have agreed before the State Railroad commission to meet the demand of shippers for the issuance of "clean bills of lading." Heretofore the railroads have refused to be accountable for shortages in freight where the carrier's agents had not checked personally the goods to be shipped. Shipping interests insisted that all freight should be so checked, and this demand has been acceded to.

## Investigate High Cost of Living.

New York—Magistrate Murphy announces that he will inquire into the high cost of necessities. District Attorney Whitman probably will prosecute criminally a number of speculators in butter, eggs, vegetables and meats. The proceedings were first centered on butter and eggs. It is believed there will be 150 defendants in criminal actions as a result of the probe.

## Morse on Way to Recovery.

Atlanta, Ga.—Charles W. Morse, the former banker, recently pardoned for wrecking a New York bank, after serving two years of a 15-year sentence, will recover sufficiently to again enter Wall street activities, according to Dr. A. L. Fowler, Morse's personal physician.

## KNOX'S TOUR BEGINS

### Warship Sails With Secretary on Southern Cruise.

Crew of Thousand Men On Constant Dress Parade—Colon Will Be First Stop.

Key West, Fla.—When the armored cruiser Washington, the official home of Secretary of State Knox for the greater part of the next two months, weighed anchor off Key West and turned toward the isthmus, there was begun a diplomatic mission in many respects unprecedented.

While the itinerary will consist largely of formal courtesies, there probably will be friendly exchanges of political significance.

The first stopping place of Secretary Knox will be Colon, whence he will proceed to Panama. There he will deliver what may be set down now as the keynote speech of the trip, setting forth what was in the mind of the administration when the itinerary was planned.

The program of visits has been rearranged from time to time and is still tentative. It had been expected that Mr. Knox would go to Panama first, but it was decided later that he should visit the canal zone.

Secretary Knox is accompanied by Mrs. Knox and Hugh Knox and his wife. The party was entertained by Rear-Admiral Young and later went out to the ship on a navy tug.

The cruiser Washington has been put in spike-and-pan shape and carries nearly 1,600 men, the largest crew now on any American battleship. The whole after part of the gun deck has been set aside for the use of the Knox party. There will be frequent receptions to government officials, on whom the secretary will call.

To the officers and crew it will not be an easy trip. They will be on almost constant dress parade, as official visitors come and go. They, however, have entered into the spirit of the cruise, and will make a showing in the ports visited that will reflect credit on the navy and the nation.

### \$147,500 PAID FOR CANVAS.

Identity of American Purchaser of Mantegna's Work Withheld.

Berlin—The most important art auction ever held in Germany opened in the Lepke auction rooms here when the collection of old masters belonging to the estate of the late Edwin F. Weber, a leading merchant of Hamburg, was put up for sale. Francois Kleinberger, the art dealer of Paris, gave \$147,500 for the "Virgin and Child," by Andrea Mantegna.

It is understood that Dr. Kleinberger was acting for an American buyer, whose identity is withheld. The Boston Museum purchased an altar triptych, attributed to the master Staevein, for \$18,000 and an unknown master's "Crucifixion" for \$5,000.

### TAFT FAVORS BATTLESHIPS.

Believes Time Has Not Yet Come for Disarmament.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft, speaking at the peace meeting of the Navy league here, declared that the time had not come for this country to be economical at the expense of an adequate naval establishment; expressed the hope that the present congress would authorize the construction of two battleships, and said he would gladly sign a bill that carried such an authorization.

"In order to keep up with other nations, I don't think two battleships are too many," said the president. "I am partly responsible for the government and I am entirely willing to meet the responsibility by signing a bill for two battleships."

### Dog Derby Is Run in Cold.

Nome, Alaska—The Solomon Derby race for dog teams, 65 miles, from Nome to the Solomon River and return over the Snow trail, purse \$1,000, was won by Charlie Johnson's dogs in 5 hours, 47 minutes, 24 seconds, breaking all records for the course. The team owned by Mrs. C. E. Darling, of Oakland, Cal., and Scotty Allan, and driven by Allan, was second, and one of J. Johnson's teams third. The weather was fine, but cold, the temperature ranging for several days around the 20 below mark.

### Eight Bodies Recovered.

Lehigh, Okla.—With the exception of nine men, all of the miners at work in mine No. 5 of the Western Coal & Mining company, when fire broke out in the mine, answered roll call. Eight bodies have been recovered. Efforts to penetrate the workings in search for the other men have been abandoned. The mine is being flooded to quench the fire. Damage to the mine cannot be estimated, but is known to be very great.

### Aviator Breaks Record.

Pau, France—Maurice Tabuteau, the French aviator, broke the world's aerodrome record for a two hours' flight by covering 227 kilometers, 454 meters, (141 miles, 840 yards), at the flying grounds here. Tabuteau already held the record for a two hours' flight, which he established on January 24 at Pau, when he flew 205 miles 287 meters, (127 miles 5 furlongs), in that time.

## FOR COMPENSATION LAWS.

President Asks That Congress Fix Scale for Accidental Injuries.

Washington, D. C.—In a special message to congress the president urges the passage of laws providing for the compensation of railroad employees for accidental injuries, to be fixed in accordance with the positive scale recommended by the employers' liability and workmen's compensation commission. The message declares that the theory of the commission is that each employe be insured against injury sustained in work, without reference to contributory negligence and without common law limitation on the liability of the employer. The message says:

"The details of the measure are admirably worked out. They provide medical and hospital service for the injured man, notice of injury to employer where such notice is not obviously given by the accident itself, and the fixing of compensation by agreement. The amount of recovery is regulated in proportion to the amount of wages received, the compensation to be made in the form of annual payment for a fixed number of years or for life. The fees paid to attorneys are to be specifically remedied, and the remedies offered are exclusive of any others."

President Taft declared that the greatest evil the law would destroy is the multitude of suits under the common law, which are now clogging the courts, postponing final adjustment through the law's delay.

### DECLARE FOR PARCELS POST.

Objection to New Appropriation Bill May Be Made.

Washington, D. C.—Democratic members of the house committee on postoffices and postroads have agreed to incorporate in the appropriation bill provisions for a general parcels post. They also have agreed upon a general domestic rate of 12 cents and a maximum of 11 pounds. This is the present international parcel post rate. They would also provide for a rural parcels post, the rate to be 5 cents for one pound and 2 cents for each additional pound.

It was reported that some Republican members of the committee would approve the recommendation and that the bill would pass the house.

Members of the committee, however, expect to encounter some objection, on the ground that new legislation is proposed in an appropriation bill. They are discussing now how to get around these objections under the rules.

Secretary MacVeagh sent to congress an estimate of the postmaster general of \$400,000 for operating the postal savings banks during the next fiscal year, in addition to the unexpended \$500,000 appropriated last year.

### RECALL NOT REQUESTED.

Columbia May Be Told That Knox Contemplated Settlement.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft took up the Columbia situation with his cabinet and later discussed it with Huntington Wilson, acting secretary of state.

No official statement was made of what action had been taken by this government. It was declared authoritatively that the United States did not contemplate asking for the recall of Senor Ospina, the Colombian minister.

A report was current that a full explanation of the attitude of the United States in the present controversy had been cabled to American Minister Dubois at Bogota, so that he might informally advise Colombia.

It is believed that the Colombian government now will learn from Mr. Dubois that Secretary Knox did intend the initiation of some negotiations that might terminate the troubled relations that grew out of the revolt of Panama from Colombia. Whether in view of such information Colombia might issue a special invitation to Mr. Knox is said to be based on the character of the negotiations which he would begin, the Colombian government being most insistent on arbitration through The Hague tribunal, rather than through any commission of diplomats.

### Nixon Opposes Ship Bill.

Washington, D. C.—Lewis Nixon, New York ship builder, appeared before the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries and opposed bills that would admit free to American registry foreign-built ships owned by American citizens. "Such legislation," said Mr. Nixon, "would be hurtful to the American shipbuilding industry, unless other legislation is adopted to offset the disadvantages to American builders." Mr. Nixon urged a return to discriminatory duties in favor of American vessels and a tonnage tax.

### Bill Provides for Title.

Washington, D. C.—Representative Taylor of Colorado, introduced a bill providing that homesteaders on government irrigation projects shall receive patent after five years' residence and compliance with the homestead laws, their unpaid water charges to be a lien against land until fully met. He also proposes that water payments shall hereafter be made to the official agents on each project, instead of at local land offices.

### Clark Is for Borah Bill.

Washington, D. C.—Speaker Clark became interested in the Borah-Jones three-year homestead bill and gave his promise to use his best efforts to have it favorably reported by the public lands committee and passed by the house.

## BLIZZARD IN STATES

### Middle West Suffers From Snow and High Winds.

Trains Stopped and Held Fast in Drifts—Mississippi High and Damage Threatens.

St. Louis, Mo.—Sixteen inches of snow, driven by a 40-mile wind, with a minimum temperature of 24 degrees, were features of a storm which is sweeping Eastern Missouri, Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky.

The wind has drifted the snow to a depth of several feet, hampering traffic on all transportation lines. Streetcar and railroad traffic at Taylorville, Ill., are at a standstill.

Baltimore & Ohio passenger train No. 125, which left there at 9:30 p. m., is stalled in a drift five miles from the city. The passengers have no food, but are making themselves as comfortable as possible and are keeping warm, as the train carries plenty of coal. Passenger train No. 1, on the Chicago & Illinois Midland, is snowbound at Kincaid, six miles west of Taylorville. A relief train sent out from Taylorville failed to reach the passenger train, and it, too, is snowbound.

There was a break in the ice gorge in the Missouri River at Kansas City, causing a rush of heavy floes down the Missouri River, sinking the tug Omaha and caving in the sides of a large barge. Three river men narrowly escaped death when the tug was sunk. Colder weather north of Kansas City is believed to have lessened the danger to boats moored in the river.

Unless there is a further rise in the river there, sending more ice against the piers of the James-street bridge, closed to traffic two days ago, it is believed the structure will stand. The weather bureau predicts warmer weather for Kansas, and if a thaw comes higher water is certain.

## HOUSTON, TEXAS, SUFFERS FROM \$7,000,000 FIRE

Houston, Tex.—In the wake of the most destructive fire in the history of Houston, smoldering wreckage covers an area about one and one-half miles in length and varying in width from 200 yards to half a mile in the north-eastern section of the city.

More than a dozen of the city's most important industrial enterprises are in ruins; 200 or more dwellings and store buildings are in ashes, and approximately 1,000 persons are homeless.

An accurate statement of the monetary loss is not yet possible, but the most conservative is that it will reach \$7,000,000, while the insurance carried will not exceed 40 per cent.

Except for a few minor burns and bruises, no casualties attended the fire.

Breaking forth in an untenanted rooming house known locally as "the madhouse," shortly after 1 o'clock in the morning, and at a time when a fierce gale was blowing from the Northwest, the fire made rapid headway. The flames swept toward the southeast, generally making a clean sweep of its path.

Four hours later the area of destruction had been defined, but the work of the fire fighters was not then ended, for all over the blackened districts piles of burning debris still demanded their attention.

### "MY HAT'S IN RING," SAYS T. R.

Ex President Gives Characteristic Answer to Cleveland Throng.

Cleveland, O.—"My hat is in the ring."

That is what Theodore Roosevelt said here when an admiring Cleveland crowd sought to learn whether he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for president.

In the course of the brief stay of Colonel Roosevelt in Cleveland W. F. Erick, well known locally in politics, greeted the ex-president, whom he knows well.

"I want a direct answer, Colonel," said Mr. Erick. "All your friends want to know and want to know now, whether you are to be a candidate."

"My hat is in the ring," replied Colonel Roosevelt. "You will have my answer Monday."

### Storm Wracks Texas.

Dallas, Tex.—Ushered by a wind storm varying at different points from 60 to 70 miles an hour, the most severe blizzard of the winter is sweeping the Southwest. Railroad traffic is demoralized, wire communication is hampered and meager reports from outlying districts tell of damage to property and cattle. In North Texas the temperature fell from 70 degrees to freezing. In the Panhandle the snow fall was reported to a depth of four inches. At Hobart, Okla., buildings were unroofed.

### Snow Impeding Railroads.

Kansas City—Carried on a 40-mile wind, a heavy snow storm swept Southern and Southeastern Kansas, Northern Oklahoma and Southwest Missouri and continues unabated. In Eastern Kansas and Western Missouri the local weather bureau promises snow and wind.

In the western and central sections of Kansas the snow is drifting fast and already is impending railroad traffic.

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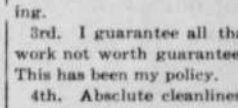
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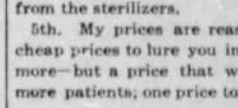
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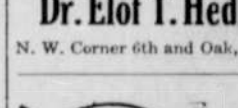
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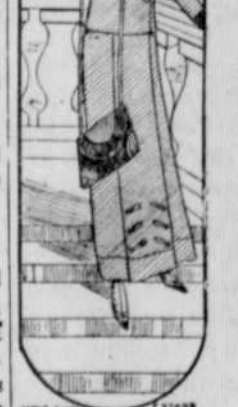
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