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## VILLA'S ARMY DEMORALIZED AND SCATTERED

### TWO DAYS OF FIGHTING AT JUAREZ DEPLETES AMMUNITION SUPPLY

## BANDIT DECEIVING FOLLOWERS

### General Angeles Said to Be Hiding in Hills Near Mexican Border. Will Join With Villa Later

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 1.—Francisco Villa's army which advanced on Juarez with the intention of conquering northern Mexico and establishing a rebel government in the north, retired before United States troops badly demoralized and disorganized, say deserters, impressed soldiers who escaped and civilians who saw them at Villa Ahumada.

After two days and nights of intermittent fighting for possession of Juarez, Villa had depleted his ammunition supply. A member of his staff who came to the border after the retreat said many of Villa's men had no ammunition. Only Villa's bodyguard had more than 100 rounds. Soldiers had thrown away their rifles while crossing the desert with the American cavalry in pursuit.

Villa's telegrapher, who escaped from Villa at Villa Ahumada, reported to Mexican officials in Juarez that the rebels were without food, and that their morale was very low.

Dimensions took place among Villa's men after the Juarez battle. Martin Lopez, who led the fighting in Juarez, is said to have denounced Villa and accused the bandit leader of deceiving his men into believing the United States government would recognize the Villa revolution and American troops would not molest them when they attacked Juarez.

Another report reaching the border stated Villa selected 2000 picked men for his forces and started south toward Parral, announcing that "he could not fight the Americans" and saying he was going back to the mountains. Villa activities in the vicinity of Parral, recently would tend to confirm this report. General Angeles was reported to have separated from Villa, and to be hiding in the hills near the border.

Villa partisans here denied that Villa's army was demoralized. They say one of Villa's tricks is to scatter his forces after a battle and then reassemble them when he is ready to conduct another campaign. Pilar de Conchos, on the Conchos river near Parral, is said by Villa's agents here to be the rendezvous for Villa's forces and all of his bands are drifting in that direction.

## NEW BRITISH TREATY NOW UNDER DISCUSSION

London, Aug. 1.—The British foreign office has announced negotiations with the United States for a new commercial treaty, the text soon to be laid before parliament, the News says.

## LENINE TO CHANGE POLICY AND RETIRE

Stockholm, Aug. 1.—The Svenska Dagblatt has information that Nikolai Lenin, premier, intends to begin a drastic change of policy and then retire. One condition of retirement will be that Leon Trotsky, war minister, be left in command of the red army. A soviet official statement reports successes for the bolsheviks in the Omega sector, Archangel. It states that the bolsheviks advanced 14 miles, aided by mutiny among allied troops.

## INTEREST IN SWIMMING CONTESTS INCREASES

Interest in the swimming contests to be held at the bathhouse this evening at 6:30 o'clock has increased to a considerable extent in the last two days. The total number of entrants is 45, and will probably be 50 by 6 o'clock when the entry lists close. The contests promise to be spirited and will start promptly on time. A large number of picnic parties are planned for this evening, and with the band concert following the swimming contests, the park will be the center of attraction this evening.

W. G. White will run his jitney from the Spa to the bridge between 5 and 6:30 p. m. at a 10c fare.

## GERMAN HOUSEWIVES NO LONGER FEAR YANK THEFTS

Coblenz, Aug. 1.—Civilians in Coblenz have recently been bringing to light their stores of silverware and jewelry which have been in hiding most of the time since the Americans came to Germany.

Preceding the American army of occupation were wild reports regarding the khaki clad soldiers and most of the civilians, expecting their home to be plundered, hurriedly placed their valuables in safety deposit vaults in the banks or in their backyards.

Now that the Germans have learned to trust the Americans they are telling how and where their treasure has been hidden all these months.

## HAYS DECLINES TO BE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

Brookville, Ind., Aug. 1.—Will H. Hays, chairman of the republican national committee announced today that he will not be a candidate for governor, but will continue his present duties.

## HOUSE FAVORS RELIEF 1919 ASSESSMENT WORK

Washington, Aug. 1.—A joint resolution suspending for 1919 the requirements of annual assessment work on mining claims was adopted yesterday by the house and sent to the senate.

## COMMERCE COMMITTEE FAVORS SHOE PROBE

Washington, Aug. 1.—The house commerce committee has reported favorably on the resolution for a federal trade commission of inquiry into the price of shoes.

President Wilson has accepted the resignation of F. W. Taussig, chairman of the United States tariff commission.

## MONTANA TO RESTORE OLD TELEPHONE RATES

Helena, Mont., Aug. 1.—Telephone lines operating in Montana must soon restore the rates in effect prior to the increase ordered by Postmaster General Burleson during federal control or be brought into court to show why they should not be compelled to do so, according to an announcement by Atty. General S. C. Ford.

## Starts on Lecture Tour—Mrs. Jennie Kemp, after spending the past five weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Hair, left this afternoon for San Francisco to start on her speaking tour of several months for the W. C. T. U., which will take her through California, Nebraska and Wyoming. Mrs. Kemp will attend the Congress of Reform at Pacific Grove and also the national W. C. T. U. victory convention at St. Louis November 15.

## NATION-WIDE STRIKE OF RAILWAY SHOPMEN

### Hundred Thousand in Chicago District and Walkouts in East and West—President Asks Action on Wage Increase Committee Before House is Given Recess

Chicago, Aug. 1.—The federal Wilson has asked congress to create a special investigating commission to pass on the wage increases for railway shopmen and other employees.

Washington, Aug. 1.—President Wilson today asked Speaker Gillette of the house to postpone the recess until definite action had been taken on his request that congress set up a committee to pass upon wage increases for railroad employees. Wage increases asked by the railway shopmen total \$500,000,000 per year.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—One hundred thousand railway shopmen in the Chicago district, and 20,000 in the Atlanta district struck today for higher wages.

Washington, Aug. 1.—President

## GIRL 16 SETS PACIFIC SWIMMING RECORD

San Francisco, Aug. 1.—Two girls, 16 and 17 years old, and a third, who a year ago was unable to swim a stroke are engaging the attention of followers of aquatics on the Pacific coast.

Miss Helen Martin, 16 years old, of Honolulu, in a recent swimming meet, lost only by a few inches in the 50 yard breast stroke event to Mrs. Terie Desch. Miss Martin's performance is the more remarkable by reason of the fact that in this race Mrs. Desch created a new Pacific coast record of 1 minute, 39.6 seconds for the distance.

Ruth Crane is the 17 year old mermaid. In the same meet she won both the 50 and 100 yard sprint events. She is an Alameda girl, and her friends are predicting a brilliant future for her in swimming competition.

Lillian Snowgrass who, a year ago, was unable to swim a single stroke, placed second in the diving events to Miss Gladys Boehmer, the Pacific Association champion. She has competed only a few times. Under the circumstances her ability is considered quite remarkable.

## WOULD EXPEDITE TUNNEL UNDER ENGLISH CHANNEL

Paris, Aug. 1.—Measures to expedite the construction of a tunnel under the English channel connecting France and England were presented to the cabinet today by Albert Clavelle, minister of public works.

## ANTI-JAP FEELING SHANTUNG PROVINCE

Honolulu, Aug. 1.—Serious anti-Japanese disturbances are reported at Tai Nan Fu, capital of the province of Shantung, China. The commander of the Chinese garrison is reported to have declared martial law.

## WOULD LET HUNS GO HOME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Paris, Aug. 1.—General Pershing said today that in his opinion the 48,000 German prisoners held by the American army may be released as soon as the German peace treaty is ratified by three of the great powers. He said he believed it would not be necessary to await American ratification.

## CANADIAN WORKMEN LOSE MILLIONS

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 1.—Canadian workmen lost \$7,000,000 in wages in June and slightly more than half that amount in the preceding month, according to estimates.

The Winnipeg strike alone cost the workmen several million dollars. Board of trade officials believe the economic loss to merchants, manufacturers and the public was at least 100 per cent more than the labor loss.

In June, the 80 strikes in Canada involved 87,917 men, women and children. The official estimate shows a loss of about 1,445,021 working days. The average wage involved in the Winnipeg strike was about \$5 a day.

In May there were 84 strikes involving 77,688 workers who lost \$93,816 working days.

## SKYLARKING TO BECOME COMMON IN ROSEBURG

(Roseburg News)  
Preparing to beat Medford to it, H. L. Percy, Harry Hildeburn, Leo Devaney and Roy Bellows, are today preparing to form a stock company for the purpose of buying all airplane for local commercial use. Almost enough money has been secured already to assure the purchase of the machine and it is quite probable that the order will be sent in to Mather Field early next week. In the event that the plane is bought, Mr. Percy will cancel the agreement with the Medford company and the money will be kept at home.

## FRENCH COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TREATY

Paris, Aug. 1.—Ratification of the German peace treaty was today recommended to the chamber of deputies by a vote of 34 to 1, by the peace committee.

## SUICIDE ROUTE GETTING AMONG HAWAIIAN JAP'S

Honolulu, T. H., Aug. 1.—An epidemic of suicides among the Japanese of Oahu is noted lately. No less than nine Japanese have taken their own lives. In the case of six it was thwarted love that was responsible. The cases were similar. The parents of the bridegroom had selected a picture bride in Japan and the young man wanted his lady lover born here. Two of the other cases were men who were despondent. The last was a girl pursued by a scandal monger.

## THIRTY-TWO KILLED IN CHICAGO RACE RIOTS

Chicago, Aug. 1.—State troops are in full control of the race war situation and riots are believed ended.

The death list has reached a total of 32.

Chicago, July 31.—Race war terror and bloodshed had abated tonight after four days and nights of rioting, but violence continued to occur sporadically notwithstanding an army of nearly 10,000 state troops and policemen were on active duty in the south side negro quarters.

Three negroes died today of bullet wounds, making the official list 32, of whom 18 were negroes. Only one of the three was shot, though a dozen or more members of both races were wounded in scattered disturbances. There was no shooting by troops, who were ordered on the streets last night by Governor Lowden on the request of Mayor Thompson.

The negro district was comparatively quiet tonight. The presence of the troops apparently had calmed the negroes' fears and had a salutary effect upon disturbing elements among both whites and blacks.

## NEED FOR PACIFIC COAST NAVAL ACADEMY IS URGED

San Francisco, Aug. 1.—Campaign for establishment of a second United States naval academy on the Pacific coast is being conducted by local newspapers and officials. Attention is drawn to the present overtaxed capacity of the academy at Annapolis and desirability of having an academy on the west coast in connection with the new Pacific fleet.

At times past agitation for both military and naval academy branches on the Pacific coast has been carried on in the west.

## GENERAL DENIKENE CAPTURES STORES

London, Aug. 1.—The volunteer army of General Denikene, anti-bolshevik leader, it is reported, scored another important victory, capturing the city of Poltava and stores of munitions.

## TOKIO STUDENTS ARE OPPOSED TO PROGRESS

Tokio, July 4.—(Correspondence) A student group of the Tokio Imperial university has organized a society for national expansion upholding of Japanese traditions and to oppose blind adoption of the ideals of Western civilization. The students assert that Japan has her own characteristic civilization which is strong enough to be independent of the European and American civilization.

## ANOTHER AUTO ACCIDENT ON ROBERTS MOUNTAIN

Roseburg, Aug. 1.—Roberts mountain was the scene of another automobile accident Wednesday afternoon. Bud Belcher, a mail carrier of Anchor, Oregon, lost control of his Ford machine, when he became excited in passing another automobile on a very steep grade. The car backed down the incline and turned over. The occupants of the machine were thrown out, but were not seriously injured. The car was damaged to some extent.

## Airplane Goes to Ashland—

The Medford owned airplane which did a thriving business here Wednesday and Thursday and gave many an opportunity to view the city from the sky left this morning shortly after 9 for Ashland and will spend two days there. The plane was in charge of Pilot Delbert Jones and carried as passenger Geo. Theichler of Medford.

## NO RELIEF IN SIGHT FOR HIGH COST OF LIVING

### COMMITTEE CONSIDERS MEANS FOR REDUCING COST—WILL REPORT ON MONDAY

## MANY LINES INCREASE IN JULY

### Canadian Prices Continue to Soar and Causes Unrest in All Districts

Washington, Aug. 1.—A committee to consider means for reducing the high cost of living and report to the president on Monday was appointed by a conference of cabinet officers held today in the office of Attorney General Palmer.

The monthly review issued by the federal reserve boards forecasts no relief from the present high prices. It notes that July saw increases in many lines and says there is a disposition to accept present price levels and expect a continuation of the prevailing level for some time to come.

Attorney General Palmer said one suggestion for reducing the living cost was that the government fill this year's crop at market price to be determined by the law of supply and demand and make up a guarantee to farmers out of a billion dollar fund appropriated by congress.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 1.—Despite government efforts to reduce prices, cost of living in Canada continues to soar. The high prices were cited as the cause of unrest in every district, according to investigators of the recent strikes throughout the Dominion.

Government officials stated that the high cost of necessities was responsible for the dissatisfaction of thousands of conservative workmen. They also asserted this subject gave radicals an excuse for trying out more ambitious schemes.

The average cost of 29 staple foods in 60 cities in June was \$13.72, as compared with \$13.53 in May, official statistics show. In June, 1914, the average was \$7.35.

## IDAHO CITY THREATENED BY NEW FOREST FIRE

Wallace, Idaho, Aug. 1.—A fire, said to have started from sparks from a Northern Pacific engine at Gem, was blown by a high wind to grass and timber on an adjacent mountain side, and in a few hours raced over the top of the mountain toward the Tamarack and the Interstate Callahan mines. All women and children at these two mines have been brought to Wallace for safety.

The fire this afternoon was but a few miles from here, and up to a late hour a large force of men had been unable materially to check its progress. It is the most threatening fire here since 1910, when many men in the district were trapped and burned to death and a portion of the city was destroyed.

## TREATY PROTOCOL IS PRESENTED TO SENATE

Washington, Aug. 1.—The protocol of the German peace treaty, defining explanations of the treaty agreed to in memorandums exchanged between German and allied plenipotentiaries was laid before the senate today by Vice President Marshall. The document was submitted by President Wilson yesterday but too late for submission until today. Explanatory letters from President Wilson and Secretary Lansing accompanied the protocol.