

GENERAL HUERTA OF MEXICO TO BE SPANKED

Reported That American Troops Have Taken Vera Cruz Without Firing a Shot. American Charge d'Affairs Was Not Assassinated. Local Men Offer to Organize Cavalry Troop

The United States is going to show General Huerta of Mexico that he must respect the American flag and has resorted to force to do it. At the time this is written, Friday morning, very little of a definite nature is known here of what has actually taken place at Vera Cruz and Tampico, one rumor, or rather press dispatch in the Portland papers states that American troops had occupied the former place without firing a shot, while another telephone statement is to the effect that the town was bombarded and there was some loss of life.

A telephone message late Thursday evening stated that the report of the assassination of American Charge d'Affairs O'Shaughnessy was a mistake and that American troops had been ordered out along the border.

When General Huerta refused to comply with the demand of this government to salute the flag and thus make amends for the arrest of some marines who had landed at Tampico for supplies, President Wilson asked congress to sanction his course in compelling the recognition. This was asked Monday and while the lower house acted promptly upon the resolution the Senate debated the matter. It wasn't a question of not giving authority to the president to use force but the language of the resolution. Some of the members wanted to make it war on Mexico while the president evidently wants to avoid war. President Wilson gave out the following statement respecting the situation, to the newspaper men:

The White House authorized

the publication today of the exact text of the following portion of the remarkable statement which President Wilson made to the newspaper correspondents concerning the Mexican situation: "I want to say to you, gentlemen, don't get the impression that there is about to be war between the United States and Mexico. That is not the outlook at present at all.

"In the first place, under no conceivable circumstances would we fight the people of Mexico. We are their friends and want to help them in every way we can to recover their rights, government and laws.

"I am going to congress to present this special situation and to seek congress' approval of my plans to meet that special situation. It is only an issue between this government and a person calling himself provisional president of Mexico, whose right to call himself such, we have never recognized in any way.

"So that I had a feeling of uneasiness as I read the papers this morning, as if the country were getting on fire with war enthusiasm. I have no enthusiasm for war. I have an enthusiasm for justice and for America's dignity, but not for war.

"And this situation need not eventuate into war if we handle it with firmness and promptness."

Some of the senators do not want the matter to stop at the Tampico incident but to also ask reparation of the long series of outrages against Americans in Mexico. This view is not accepted by others and the debate caused delay.

Considerable enthusiasm was

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Presbytery Appreciates Our Support to Church.

Rev. Dr. E. Benson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, who attended the meeting of the Eastern Oregon Presbytery at Sumpter last week, brought back many good words of congratulation and appreciation of that body to the business men of Burns who have so liberally contributed toward the support of the local church. They had not expected the church here to be entirely self supporting this year and when Dr. Benson informed them that his officers were determined to build a new church in the immediate future, arranging all the finances during the summer and fall and be in readiness to begin active operations on the structure early next spring, they were most agreeably surprised and pleased.

The church has the good will and support of practically the entire business element of Burns and its friends are loyal to such an extent that the officers feel confident a new structure sufficiently large to care for its needs for several years to come.

The subscription list gotten up and so liberally signed to care for the pastor's back salary has been extended to cover this expense for the year. The trustees find it unnecessary to make an active canvass for this support as friends of the church volunteer. Several have expressed a desire to help who have not placed their names on the list and they may do so by calling at The Times-Herald office.

Water Permits Issued.

During the quarter ending March 31st, 1914, State Engineer, John H. Lewis, issued 154 permits for the appropriation of water, including 8 permits for the construction of reservoirs. Under these permits it is proposed to irrigate 28,994 acres of land, develop 21,968 horsepower at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000. The following permits have been issued in Harney County, during the past quarter:

Gust Lund of Andrews, for the irrigation of 40 acres, diverting water from Skull Creek in Sec. 22 Tp. 36 S. R. 32 E. J. K. Klink of Canyon City, has secured a permit to store 10 acre feet of the waters of Diamond Creek in a reservoir in Sec. 30 Tp. 16 S. R. 31 E., and also has a permit to apply the stored water to the irrigation of 20 acres. Walter Ross of Andrews, for the irrigation of 30 acres, including domestic supply, diverting water from the Serrano Springs in Sec. 1 Tp. 36 S. R. 33 E. W. O. Best of Riley, for the irrigation of 200 acres, diverting water from Silver Creek in Sec. 17 Tp. 23 S. R. 26 E.

Coyotes Die of Rabies.

Many coyotes are dying in various parts of the country, apparently from the rabies, according to owners of sheep and stock who have been out on the ranges recently. Many dead magpies are also reported, infected, it is thought, from feeding on the carcasses of the coyotes. In Lower Powder Valley especially does this condition prevail and also in the Burnt River district.

Look to Your Plumbing.

You know what happens in a house in which the plumbing is in poor condition—everybody in the house is liable to contract typhoid or some other fever. The digestive organs perform the same functions in the human body as the plumbing does for the house, and they should be kept in first class condition all the time. If you have any trouble with your digestion take Chamberlain's Tablets and you are certain to get quick relief. For sale by all dealers.

N. O. Oard, who recently moved here with his family purchased two lots from E. A. Brown and has started work on a new residence. Mr. Oard who is a contractor is doing his own work. —Ontario Argus.

Pure bred Poland-China gilts for breeding purposes for sale—G. W. Young. 181f

POWER PROJECTS ARE IMPORTANT FACTORS

Development of Electric Power on The Malheur Beginning of Activity in Putting to Beneficial Use Natural Resources and Opens Possibilities of Great Things in Harney Country

Percy Johnson of the engineering firm of J. E. Johnson & Sons, was in the city a few days this week, having come over from Drewsey the fore part of the week. Mr. Johnson states his firm is now engaged in the survey of the big power project on the Malheur river between Drewsey and Logan Valley and that they find the possibilities even greater than they had anticipated. Sufficient power may be generated to furnish immense power.

Mr. Johnson was investigating sentiment in this section and also ascertaining the possibilities for the use of electric energy in the Harney Valley. He found the people very favorably impressed with the project and ready to use a considerable amount should it be transmitted to this Valley. Mr. Johnson states it can be brought to a distributing station in this Valley at a distance not exceeding 30 miles and at a very small loss of energy. With such power within reach there is no reason for not irrigating every tract of land that requires it throughout the territory from the shallow surface water that is so abundant.

Additional units of the power plant may be added as needed, according to Mr. Johnson and should the railroad get within the boundaries of the Valley this season, which it is confidently expected it will do, and the railroad people desire to electrify from that point to Burns, the Malheur power project could thus be utilized. The people of this city have contemplated such in the past. The power possibilities of that stream had been investigated by local people some time ago with a view of using for such purpose when the time was right, therefore there will be no quibbling about things should it be necessary for Burns to do something toward securing railroad connections direct to the town.

The Drewsey people have organized to bring an electric line up from the main line to the immense timber holdings above that town and they are confident of the success of the undertaking as the owners of the timber are ready to finance the line. Estimates made on this project indicate there is sufficient timber to make the road profitable for at least fifty years and with the local tonnage naturally developed along the line it is a feasible proposition and one that will appeal to capital.

The development of the great resources of this territory is in its infancy along many lines but with the advent of the railroad and the settlement and cultivation of the immense farming territory the putting to use of these resources will be taken up and developed to their capacity. Another project of a similar character, although of not so

much magnitude, has been started on the south of the Steens Mountain section. With the construction of the Silvie irrigation project more electric power will be developed that may be used during a greater portion of the year without interfering with the irrigation project and the power possibilities of Emigrant Creek are no small item that may be utilized in connection with other units. These natural resources have all been noted in the past but conditions have not warranted their undertaking up to this time.

Railroad Men Inspect Work West of Juntura

President J. D. Farrell, of the O. W. R. & N., and his party of officials, arrived in a special car on No. 6 Wednesday evening.

After a few hours here, the guests of H. W. Doolittle, they were taken to Juntura, where they inspected the new road and returned in time for No. 9 this evening.

Mr. Farrell had nothing special for publication, but it is understood the line will be pushed west. The tracklayers are now several miles out of Juntura.—Ontario Argus.

Water For Dairy Cow.

Water requirements of the dairy cow are not always given the attention they ought to receive. Aside from the large amount of water used in milk production cows will drink about 60 to 80 gallons a day if they are given that amount of fresh, clean water. Some of the world's record cows have drunk as much as 270 gallons a day. Since milk has a large percentage of water in it large quantities of water are required to produce the milk. Not only that, but high milk production demands the digestion and assimilation of a great deal of nourishment, and water is needed in large quantities for these purposes. The best water is from springs or deep wells, says W. A. Barr, O. A. C. and Federal dairy agent. Ponds receiving drainage are especially bad, because they contain disease germs and because the water is not refreshed so that the cow really drinks all she needs.

Found a Cure for Rheumatism.

"I suffered with rheumatism for two years and could not get my right hand to my mouth for that length of time," writes Lee L. Chapman, Mapleton, Iowa. "I suffered terrible pain so I could not sleep or lie still at night. Five years ago I began using Chamberlain's Liniment and in two months I was well and have not suffered with rheumatism since." For sale by all dealers.

LATEST DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE NOTES

(From Our Portland Correspondent)

Plans for corn shows to be held next fall and winter are now being made by officials of the O. W. R. & N. Ry., at the same time the seed corn is being distributed among the farmers of the state. Cash prizes from \$5 to \$25 will be offered, the entries to vary from the best single ear of corn to the product of the best acre, with boy growers given special inducements to compete. It is stated by those in charge of the project that this year's acreage will be ten times that of last year.

The Port of Columbia Commercial Club has recently been organized at Astoria, taking the place of the Astoria Young Men's Booster Club, temporarily formed some time ago. The purpose of the club is to promote the commercial, industrial, agricultural and social advancement of the Lower Columbia. "Nothing less than 40 feet where rail and water meet," was adopted as a slogan.

Thirteen carloads of household goods, representing the belongings of fifteen families, have been received at Bend within the past few weeks. Six carloads were received in February, and according to present indications April will break all records. The newcomers are all families in good circumstances, with complete outfits of farming implements and supplies. One farmer brought his own well drilling outfit, and among their other possessions is some of the best stock seen in Central Oregon.

Plans are being made to erect the mammoth flagpole donated to the Panama-Pacific Exposition during the latter part of the month when the Rose Festival Queen and her maids visit San Francisco. The pole is of Douglas fir, 246 feet long, 54 feet at the butt and weighs 93,000 pounds.

Wool Sales Over State.

Fifty thousand pounds of wool were sold at Echo Wednesday reports the Oregonian. The exact price was not known, but it is understood to be high. This wool which is all that has been shorn at that point so far, was chiefly from mutton sheep.

A little shearing has been done in Eastern Oregon in the past few days, amounting to about 15,000 or 20,000 fleeces, at 15 cents for choice clips. Buyers have made offers to contract in the Pendleton and Heppner sections, but the growers there are inclined to hold for the sales days, which are only six or seven weeks off. Throughout Eastern Oregon sheepmen express a determination to await the regular sealed bid sales, yet dealers believe wools will move fast after shearing starts.

A little shearing has been done at Castle Rock and at Arlington, and operations will start in the Pilot Rock country about April 20.

About 30,000 pounds of wool have been sold this week at points on the Columbia River in Washington, between Roosevelt and Plymouth. The prices range from 13½ to 16 cents.

Weed Pests of Oregon.

Oregon's most pestiferous weeds will be named, described, and illustrated, and the methods of eradication pointed out, in a series of stories to be run in a leading state daily and a farm paper of Oregon.

These articles are prepared by the department of Botany and Plant Pathology of the Agricultural College, and will contain a great deal of interesting and useful information. Those published in the daily will deal with weeds forbidden by law on farms and roadsides; those in the farm journal with the most common and objectionable weed pests at the different seasons of the year. The articles will serve to acquaint the farmers with weed enemies and methods of their control, and also place definite and useful knowledge of weeds and their treatment at the disposal of the public schools. By clipping and filing in scrap books this information may be kept from year to year.

OUR PROTECTED GAME BIRDS BECOMING PESTS

Water Fowl Which "Uncle Sam" Will Not Permit us to Shoot Destroying Grain Fields and Meadows. Crane and Geese Reported Numerous all Over The Eastern Oregon Country

It appears other sections of Eastern Oregon are suffering from the ravages of birds in the way of destroying crops, as well as Harney County. The white geese have been digging up the meadows of the people in the neighborhood of the lakes and many have done more or less damage to the grain fields. The following is a story from the La Grande Observer:

"Sandhill cranes are developing into a pest to farmers of Grande Ronde valley. Although protected by the federal game laws, the huge bird is devastating acre after acre of wheat fields in this valley, and, being protected display super-animal instinct and display great bravado. Thousands of them are often seen on one farm, and every spear of what they touch is ruined for they pull it up by the roots. So serious has the pests become that farmers are hastily compiling petitions and memorials to congress to have the law changed. Unless the birds decide to migrate, much damage will be done. Farmers aver that without exaggeration it is safe to say that as high as five thousand have been known to light on one field in a day.

"Farmers have adopted precautionary methods. They shoot off shotguns in close proximity to the birds without firing at them, thus scaring them away only to light on adjoining fields. "State Game Warden Svans was in the city last evening and Deputy Lefel conferred with him about the crane question. The game department suggests that farmers scare the birds away without killing any, which in itself is a temptation for the big specimen of the bird family is choice meat."

Onion seeds at the Burns Hardware Co.

Market Report.

Receipts for the week have been Cattle-1797; Calves-21; Hogs 4014; Sheep-2492. Cattle steady to firm all week, demand good and buyers cleaned up everything in sight. Prime light steers averaged \$7 75 to \$8 00 in bulk lots, with several cars of exceptional stuff moving at over \$8 00. Cows \$7 00 and heifers \$7 25. Bulls steady with last week. Hog receipts fairly liberal and price advanced to \$8 75 and \$8 80 the middle of the week with one load topping the market at \$8 85 Friday. The Portland market is on a par with any other American market. The most of the sheep house transactions have been in the lamb division, \$6 75 being paid for fairly good stuff. Southern Oregon and Idaho points contributing a number of cars of spring lambs. Prime yearling wethers \$5 75 to \$6 25; prime ewes \$4 75 to \$5 25; medium ewes \$3 75 to \$4 50.

ATTENTION!

To my former patrons and others: I have decided to remain in Burns during the summer, for the purpose of supplying your wants in Groceries, Furniture, Carpets, Stoves, Building Paper, Wall Paper, etc., at the same low figures, 10 per cent above actual cost. W. F. HISSNER.

Mrs. E. L. Wilson, representing the Pacific Coast Rescue and Protective Society, was in the city this week and informs The Times-Herald she met most encouraging contributions to the work from our citizens for which she wished to extend her thanks.

Picture show tonight.

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