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MEXICO STILL A PROBLEM

When President Wilson issued his ultimatum to Mexican factions he, evidently, thought his manifesto would cause the various factions to drop their differences, get together and organize some sort of a government which would give that country a much desired peace and which could be recognized as being responsible by the other governments of the world.

At the present time, the indications are not favorable for these several factions to reach a mutual understanding. Revolution has become a habit and with the exceeding illiteracy of the people, it will be a difficult matter of accomplishment.

If President Wilson makes his word good, it will not be many weeks until United States troops are in Mexico. Probably a majority of the Mexican people will be glad to have Americans take charge of their unhappy country for a spell. They now realize that power is the only thing which will bring these Mexican bandits to time and restore order.

The only bad feature to sending United States Troops down there is the cry that American capital is the cause, which will result. But even this should not prevent intervention and the saving of thousands of women and children from starvation.

The United States intervened in Cuba and, when the Cubans became capable of maintaining a stable government, retired. Is not Mexico even in greater need of our good offices than was Cuba?

The Tribune believes that even the Mexican warring factions, aside from a few ambitious leaders, would be glad to have United States troops assist in restoring order and to help reorganize the government. It is very evident that neither Carranza nor Villa will become sufficiently powerful to restore peace. In fact, either of these leaders have, probably, too many enemies and have created too many jealousies to ever bring about pacification.

When President Wilson returns from the summer whitehouse, there will be something doing. When he gave these factions warning some weeks ago, he evidently had determined on a course of action and the time limit must have expired now, or soon will be.

THE GERMAN REPLY

The reply of the German government to President Wilson's note relative to the Lusitania affair as well as to other submarine tragedies, is disappointing, in that it utterly fails to respond to the main facts at issue. As a mass of words which, when analyzed, literally say nothing and promises nothing, the document is ideally diplomatic. The note attempts to justify the German position

of interpreting international law to suit her own purpose and convenience. Simply because England has done what Germany conceives to be a wrong, Germany assumes the right and attempts to justify it, to do an innocent nation an immensely grave wrong.

The humiliating proposition which Germany submits to America cannot nor will not be complied with. Germany must have a rather small opinion of American manhood, to even suspect that the American people would submit to such dictation. To comply with Germany's wishes, would cause America to violate the laws of neutrality and get us into no end of trouble. Germany by her total disregard of international rules of war as relating to neutrals, has made herself an outlaw among nations and attempts to justify her action.

Less causes than these submarine outrages have caused nations to go to war. Indeed, a much less cause than the Lusitania murders served Austria to declare war on Serbia and which involved nation after nation until nearly all Europe is at each other's throats.

Germany will probably not recede from the position she has taken. She may be careful in the future to give America no further cause to complain, but to come out fairly, honestly and without equivocation for what she has done, is not probable.

If the United States and all other neutral powers should withdraw all diplomatic relations and refuse any further dealings with her, Germany would soon find that she cannot stand alone. Unless, even when peace is restored, Germany can sell her goods and wares to other nations her condition would be serious, to say the least. The neutral nations have the power to thus bring her to time and, too, without going to war.

A TROUBLEOUS ADMINISTRATION

When President Wilson was inaugurated, he inherited the Mexican mess from his predecessor. This internecine war was a veritable gadfly from the start. How patiently he has worked with Mexico to allow that country to settle her family quarrel if possible, even passed some things by which would, doubtless, brought on war if a more pugnacious president had been in his place.

Then on top of this comes the European war with the many vexing questions with the powers engaged, to settle. The preservation of strict neutrality and yet preserve the dignity and rights of American citizens has been and is a most trying problem.

Nor will he, probably, be free from these trying affairs during the remainder of his term. In addition to these state affairs, he has to grieve for the loss of his life companion. That he retains his poise and mental equilibrium through all these troubles and that he possesses the confidence of the entire American people, stamps him as a remarkable man and worthy the high position he occupies.

By the time his administration closes, these wars will probably be over. Should he desire reelection, certainly the American people should willingly give it to him. No other president, if we except Lincoln, has had so many perplexing questions to handle and at no time, since his inauguration has he stood so high in the estimation of the American people as today. People forget that he is a democrat. They remember that he is the president of the United States and in these trying times, merits their cordial and united support.

The agitation of the matter of the S. P. railroad land grant is having the desired effect. It is bringing out the expression of opinions all along the line and which is just what our congressmen desire. This was the main object Oswald West had in view in bringing the matter before the public in his open letter to Governor Withycombe. Some sort of general expression of the people should be made so that congress may know that Oregon is deeply in earnest about the matter. It will furnish good backing for our senators and representatives when the matter is up for discussion.

Local Market Report

Wheat per bushel	\$ 1.00
Oats " "	.45
Bran per ton	30.00
Wheat chop per ton	34.00
Oat chop " "	30.00
Barley Chop " "	30.00
Flour per sack	1.55
Eggs per dozen	.14
Butter per roll	.35
Chickens, hens per lb	.09
" " spring " "	.09
" " roosters " "	.07
Turkeys " "	.12
Geese " "	.75
Ducks " "	8 to 11
Beef " "	5 1/2
Veal " "	.06
Hogs, live per hundred lb	6.75
Hogs, dressed " "	8.25
Mutton " "	6.00

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These nine agricultural commandments were formulated by Dr. S. A. Knapp of the United States department of agriculture, and their wisdom has been proven on many farms:

First.—Prepare a deep and thoroughly pulverized seed bed, well drained; break in the fall to the depth of eight, ten or twelve inches, according to the soil, with implements that will not bring too much of the subsoil to the surface. The foregoing depths should be reached gradually.

Second.—Use seed of the best variety, intelligently selected and carefully stored.

Third.—In cultivated crops give the rows and the plants in the rows a space suited to the plant, the soil and the climate.

Fourth.—Use intensive tillage during the growing period of the crops.

Fifth.—Secure a high content of humus in the soil by the use of legumes, barnyard manure, farm refuse and commercial fertilizers.

Sixth.—Carry out a systematic crop rotation with a winter cover crop on southern farms.

Seventh.—Accomplish more work in a day by using more horsepower and better implements.

Eighth.—Increase the farm stock to the extent of utilizing all the waste products and idle land of the farm.

Ninth.—Keep an account of each farm product in order to know from which the gain or loss arises.

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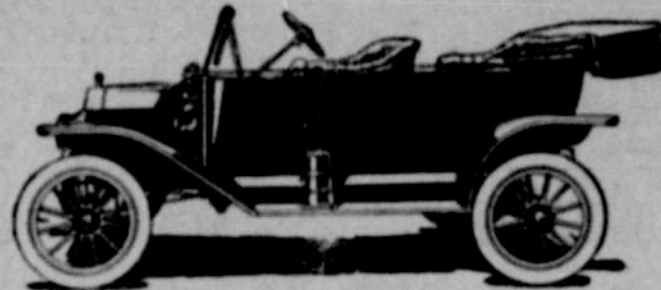
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