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SENATORS URGE INSTANT ACTION

Expedition Likely to Make of Bandit Mexican Hero, Declares Senator Chamberlain

Washington, March 13.—Danger of grave complication growing out of the sending of American troops into Mexico to hunt down Villa and his bandits was voiced in the Senate today by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the military committee, in advocating laying aside temporarily all the other legislation to dispose promptly of preparedness measures. Their statements precipitated a general discussion, in which Senators Vardaman and Simmons deprecated suggestions that the United States was not prepared to deal with any situation that might arise with Mexico.

While the senate debate was in progress, Speaker Clark and Majority Leader Kitchen were reporting to their colleagues of the house on a conference early in the day with President Wilson, who urged them to speed up the legislative program with a view to action on all important measures in time for adjournment in June. The house leaders agreed that it would be impossible to accomplish the task ahead in so short a time, although steps will be taken to hurry on with the work as rapidly as possible.

Demands for immediate action on the part of preparedness bills were made in the senate when the matter of toding up the public lands, water power and rural credit legislation was broached. Senator Chamberlain declared he would not be surprised if, as a result of the punitive expedition into Mexico, General Villa were proclaimed a national hero and 50,000 Mexican troops rallied to his standard to resist the American troops.

Senator Borah, who has been one of the most persistent critics of the administration's Mexican policy up to this time, gave complete indorsement to the president's action, but warned congress to prepare for war declaring that no man knew what consequences might follow the invasion of Mexico, even on a punitive expedition. He referred to the president's recent warnings to congress concerning international complications and said congress had not heeded the warnings, but had sat still with regard to national defense legislation.

Sixty-Fourth Wedding Anniversary

Last Saturday was the 64th anniversary of Uncle Jim Compton's marriage. He is nearly 85 years of age and if he was not troubled with bad heart action, would be hale and hearty. He is able, however, to walk up town on most days and The Tribune hopes we may see his pleasant face on our streets for many years yet.

The planting of roses on the school grounds is most commendable. It should be the pride of every school boy and girl to protect the bushes.

SCHOOL NOTES

A number of the school boys attended the educational rally at the Cole school house Friday. All reported having a good time.

A basketball game between the Riverside and the Scio Freshie boys will be given at Wesley's hall Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Admission 10c.

The freshman's program given Friday was the first program of the contest and was well attended.

Arden McDonald was a high school visitor Friday.

The Seniors will give their class program in the literary society contest and a basket social Thursday evening, March 30. The program is a very entertaining one and will be printed in next weeks issue. The proceeds are to be used to help pay for the roses which are being planted around the school grounds now—the Seniors gift to the high school. The Seniors wish to extend a special invitation to everyone to come and bring their baskets.

The girls glee club is planning to give a concert in the near future. Watch for bills.

Neva Balschweid visited the grammar room last week.

The grammar room has begun their exhibit work for the fair.

Ross O'Brien is absent from school on account of the measles.

Card of Thanks

We, the wife and children of the late Alois Holecek, desire to tender our sincere thanks to our friends for their kindly acts and sympathy in the tragic death and the burial of our husband and father.

Mrs. Alois Holecek and Children.

Gasoline May Be Ousted

Madison, Wis., March 14.—That grain alcohol may be used as a substitute for gasoline because of the soaring price of the latter is predicted by Howard F. Weiss, director of the forest products laboratory here.

The government has been conducting experiments along this line for the last three years. Gasoline is selling at from 27 to 30 cents in New York. Grain alcohol can be produced at from 13 to 15 cents a gallon.

Airmen May Aid Pursuit

New York, March 14.—A squad of trained aviators will be concentrated immediately for possible service with the United States troops in Mexico, it was announced tonight by the Aero Club of America.

While these aviators are being equipped, a second squad of 20 flyers will be held in readiness. W. Leonard Bonney, formerly in command of General Carranza's aviation corps, will have charge.

The offer of the Aero Club to furnish machine and aviators will be accepted if occasion arise, Secretary Baker has informed the club.

Dennis O'Brien, with a wood crew and horse feed, went to Gilkey station Monday to receive a run of wood from Bilyeu Den for the Lebanon paper mill.

COMMUNITY MEET AT COLE SCHOOL HOUSE

Keen Interest Was Manifested in School Affairs—Six Schools Contested for Prizes

Unusual enthusiasm was aroused at the Cole school house at the educational meet, last Friday. One very unusual feature was the splendid dinner served out of doors for March usually makes an outdoor dinner unpleasant in Oregon.

Six schools participated in the exercises, viz. Cole, Kingston, Shelburn, Mt. Pleasant, No. 65 (Red school house) and Queeners. For best declamation, Mt. Pleasant; second best, Kingston. Best class song, Queener school first. Best class exercises, Shelburn school first.

Among the speakers were County Judge McKnight, on good roads, juvenile court, etc.; C. C. Wade for Linn County Fair; Superintendent Jackson on county high schools. Prof. C. M. Kendall, candidate for the nomination for sheriff, gave several readings which added to the enjoyment of the day.

Superintendent Jackson is arousing much interest in our public schools through these educational meets and as a result our public schools are growing better and more efficient.

CARRANZA MAKING SUPREME EFFORT

General Tries to Beat the Americans to Villa—General Funston's Orders to Stand

Washington, March 14.—While there were indications in official dispatches from Mexico today that the de facto government was making a supreme effort to capture Villa and his bandits with its own forces, there was no sign that General Funston's orders to proceed on the same errand had been modified in any way.

Word that American troops had crossed the border was still lacking, the war department itself not having been advised as to when the movement would begin.

Congress took active notice of the border situation today for the first time. The house adopted a resolution late in the day authorizing the recruiting of the mobile regular army to full strength.

This means the addition of approximately 20,000 fighting men to the infantry, cavalry and field artillery. The senate is expected to concur tomorrow and the necessary orders will be issued immediately to fill up regiments on border duty.

The step was suggested by the army general staff.

If you want any of the daily papers, The Tribune will get them for you at Bargain Day rates, providing you pay for The Tribune one year in advance.

Sweet Home Items

The recent snow fall caused no small amount of damage in and around Sweet Home and Foster by breaking down barn roofs and fruit trees.

Mrs. John McMasters is recovering slowly from her long spell of sickness.

Mrs. Arthur Sportsman is quite sick at present. She was taken to Brownsville to Dr. Howards hospital where she underwent an operation. She is at Brownsville at present.

A. M. Davidson has sold his feed and implement business in Sweet Home to Mr. LaFaun who took control of the business last week.

Dr. Bellinger was called to the home of James Markley, on the Calapooia, Monday morning.

Miss Catherin Van Danaker has gone to Three Forks, Mont., to spend a few days vacation.

The Lebanon High school glee club gave a very interesting entertainment at the high school building in Sweet Home last Saturday evening. A fair crowd attended.

Wages Up Twice Since March 1

Tacoma, March 14.—Wages of Northern Pacific and Milwaukee railroad section men have been raised twice since March 1. The first advance was made March 1, from \$1.50 to \$1.65 a day, the second on March 10 from \$1.65 to \$1.75 a day.

750 men are employed in the Tacoma division of the N. P. and 750 on the Seattle division. The Milwaukee road employs regularly 500 section men between Tacoma and Cle Elum.

Stayton Hopes For Line

Stayton, March 14.—More and more it seems to be becoming the popular conviction that at last this city will be connected with the outside world by rail.

Grant Dimick, president of the Willamette Valley & Southern, is expected soon in this neighborhood. This fact, coupled with the popular expectation that the line would build through Mount Angel to Salem and Stayton, revives interest.

Another reason for the prediction is that a company of surveyors has been here for some time mapping out a line to Mill City, 15 miles east, thence through to Bend.

Telephone Meeting

A general meeting of the subscribers of the Scio Mutual Telephone company was held on Monday to consider the feasibility of purchasing a home for the central office at a point more convenient for the transient public.

No definite conclusion was arrived at further than to appoint a committee of five to look the matter up and report at a general meeting in April.

The present central office is inconveniently located and, no doubt, much long distance work is lost to the company on that account.

It is reported that the old hotel property, just at the south end of the bridge is offered to the company for \$600.

FUNSTON OUTLINES PLANS FOR PURSUIT

Preparations Are Made on Basis of Long Hunt—The Border Will Be Protected

San Antonio, Tex., March 13.—Major General Funston today outlined his plans for the capture, "dead or alive," of Francisco Villa and his band of outlaws.

"We do not ourselves know just when the expedition will start into Mexico, although, of course, it will be soon," he said.

"It will go forward just as soon as a sufficient number of men with an adequate commissary can be organized. It will not be held back, however, until all the troops now ordered to the border have arrived. There is no use going at this thing half-cocked. The task ahead of us will be a long and arduous one."

It became known today that the plans for the campaign against Villa have been affected by the border situation elsewhere than at Columbus, N. M. The situation is so important as to have hindered rapid concentration of the punitive expedition that will go after the perpetrators of the Columbus outrage.

Great excitement has been noted, it is said authoritatively, in the Carranza garrisons at Nogales, opposite the Arizona border town of that name, and at Piedras Negras, which fronts Eagle Pass, Tex., from across the Rio Grande.

This uneasiness has extended to the large Mexican population on the American side. Troops now stationed on the border are sufficient to cope with any situation that may arise, General Funston says. However, as it is his intention to use these troops in the search for Villa and as they cannot be moved until other detachments arrive to replace them, complete organization of the expeditionary military has been held up.

Army circles feel bound to respect the fear of residents in American towns that notwithstanding assurances from Carranza's representatives, uprisings may follow the actual occupation of Mexican territory by American troops.

General Funston's statement regarding the uncertainty of the punitive expedition's departure was in reply to what he termed the impatience of the American people for speedy action.

"The people must be patient," he said. "We must adequately prepare for this thing."

"In the first place we must use, as much as possible, soldiers who are accustomed to Mexican border duty. However, these men cannot be removed from their present posts until they are relieved by other troops."

"A Villa follower can live on little or nothing. An American soldier must be well fed if he is to give good service."

"We won't gain anything by haste. To send an inadequate force insufficiently prepared, after Villa

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