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INTERVENTION IS THE ONLY SOLUTION

More than two years ago, The Tribune expressed an editorial opinion that the United States would be compelled to intervene in the Mexican muddle before that country would become pacified and be placed upon a peaceful footing. There has been no reason to revise that opinion up to the present time. Indeed there is less reason today than there was three or four months ago.

President Wilson has, probably, understood the Mexican question thoroughly from the beginning. He knows that the revolution down there was brought about by the Mexican people to free themselves from domination of the church and the grasping, greedy encroachments of foreign big business, whose tentacles were rapidly grasping up their natural wealth producing resources. He knows that these two influences are not in that country to develop and raise up the condition of the people, but for the exploitation of the natural and physical resources of that country. He knows, also, that it is these same influences which are behind the demand for intervention both in Mexico and in this country and that the murderous raids by Villistas across the border to the American side, received their inspiration from the same sources. The president, therefore, has just cause for reluctance in intervening.

But the raiding of armed bandits to the American side, places matters in a different light. Attacks on American troops who are patrolling the border, not for purposes of war but to maintain peace, is a causus belli which cannot be overlooked.

Even while negotiations were going on to arrange for the future peaceful activities of our troops, one of these raids was successfully pulled off. So it is idle to expect a lawless people, who have no respect for their own government nor its laws, to respect our government and our laws, to which they do not owe allegiance, unless such respect is enforced by wholesome fear.

President Wilson has exhausted his every resource except force, to have Mexico respect American life and to restore a peaceful orderly condition in that unhappy country. The time has fully arrived when Mexican bandits, including those who march under the Carranza flag, must be compelled to respect the American flag and the people it is supposed to protect.

If, in intervening in Mexican affairs we may seem to be furthering the interests of American big business and the church, that is our misfortune and the good fortune of Mexico; for the vast majority of the Mexican people want peace and want it badly. If they could be persuaded that the American flag would mean peace to them without the loss of territory or other sources of wealth, they would welcome the

Stars and Stripes with open arms. But they think from the Mexican viewpoint and that invasion means permanent occupation and the loss of Mexican nationality. They forget that the United States once occupied Cuba and then receded therefrom as soon as the Cubans could maintain their own government.

Nevertheless, the United States will be compelled to occupy the whole of Mexico before peace is established. Carranza soldiers are continually deserting to join the Villa standard and all indications point to the active opposition to the U. S. troops by Carranza troops in a short time when, of course, intervention and occupation will follow.

Mexico ought to welcome the waving of the American flag over her capitol joyfully. She knows that she cannot control the encroachments of the church nor of big business. She knows that these two interests will grab about all that is worth grabbing of her wealth producing resources and that her common people the peons will become but a nation of beggars, and that under present Mexican control, no other result is possible.

The Villa raids on American soil are instigated for the purpose of forcing American intervention. It is reported that Villa boasted that he would force America to intervene. President Wilson knows, as before stated, the influences which are behind Villa. Hence, his reluctance to be forced to appear as the backer of those who would rob an ignorant and suffering people.

But the day has passed when we can be governed by philanthropic ideals. We must now protect our own citizens and territory from the raids of murderous bandits and we can do this, only by pursuing to their lairs the murderous bands. To do this, we must treat all armed Mexicans as bandits who are enemies not only to the United States, but to the peace desiring Mexicans as well.

STILL DISGRUNTLED

The Albany Democrat squirms whenever a newspaper of an outside town dares to criticize an enterprise which is designed by citizens of the county seat town. In the estimation of Brother Nutting, Albany can do no wrong, if we except that portion of her citizens ordinarily referred to as "blind piggers." If Albany wishes to appropriate any public features which originates in the other towns of the county, she has a right to do so and if anybody kicks about such appropriations, he is impertinent or disgruntled. Not content with bagging about all of the county offices, she wants every thing of a public character originating in the county, centered in that city, as well.

The Tribune is well aware that Albany is a handsome city and has large and well stocked stores, handsome homes, splendid streets, etc. She also has quite a comfortable city debt and a growing number of empty dwellings. But all of this is her business and no outsider has a right to criticize.

But when an attempt is made to organize a fair for the purpose of breaking down the Linn county fair, then we people of Scio have a just cause to kick. There is no use, Brother Nutting, to deny this purpose; for The Tribune editor has heard a number of your citizens boast that they would get away with the Scio fair.

Ten years ago the citizens of Scio and vicinity raised about \$2000 with which to finance a county fair. As there was no fair in the county at that time, we did not think we were encroaching upon anybody's rights in so doing. Albany had allowed her county fair to go quietly to sleep several years before. Had she main-

tained her fair, Scio would never have undertaken the enterprise.

We organized our fair, bought our fair grounds, erected our fair buildings, etc. and launched our fair and have made it a success. It has cost us lots of work and about \$2500 in cash contributed.

If Albany wants a fair, and we judge she does by the demands made upon the county court recently, let her citizens dig up as we did. If she will raise a fund in proportion to her wealth and population as compared with ours, she will have a fund of, at least, \$20,000. This would start her proposed fair off fairly well and enable her to get out of the street fair class. But, as a matter of justice and harmony, she should first purchase our Scio fair grounds. Then she will be entitled to use the name "Linn County Fair" on her advertising matter. Do this and she will have the goodwill of the people of Scio and vicinity. Moreover, The Tribune will promise that Scio and vicinity will send to her fair, under such conditions, double the number of people that Albany has ever sent to our Linn county fair. And we will do this every year too. Also we will buy goods from your stores, smoke your cigars and drink your sodapop.

Albany is by no means, all of Linn county and for Albany to enjoy prosperity, the rest of the county must prosper. Without the patronage of country folk and the people of other Linn county towns, our county seat would be but a village of one or two stores. So if Scio wants the county fair, Lebanon the strawberry festival, Brownsville her pioneer picnic and Harrisburg her potatoe show, Albany will do well to help make them successes. Then the people of the county will feel like making Albany's chautauqua, her chicken show, etc., successes as well. It is said no man will succeed in establishing a good reputation upon the ruins of others. Neither can a town prosper unless it is willing for other towns to succeed. Albany will become a city when other towns and communities of the county prosper and grow and when she establishes successful manufacturing plants—not before. She can never succeed so long as her present envious boasting crowd is heading matters and who seem disposed to belittle the public enterprises of the other and smaller towns in the county.

GERMANY'S REPLY

As was generally expected, Germany's reply to President Wilson's ultimatum was a long winded argumentative document, much of the same tenor of her previous notes during the long protracted diplomatic controversy. In reading the reply, one cannot help but feel that Germany is sparring for time. She makes no promises of further change of submarine conduct other than to say, by implication, make the other be good and I will be good.

This is not a response to President Wilson's note in any way satisfactory. It is neither yes nor no and simply leaves the question open for further discussion.

President Wilson cannot afford to discuss this matter further, when discussion is fruitless and he would simply place the American government in a position subject to ridicule. It would cause our government to lose the respect of the other nations of the world and place us in a class with China.

No right thinking patriotic citizen desires war with Germany, nor with any other nation, large or small, for that matter. But there is a limit to any controversy, when it cannot be prolonged without the loss of respect and that limit has now been reached with Germany.

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Political Announcements

For County Commissioner

I, the undersigned, hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Commissioner at the forthcoming primary election subject to the will of the Republicans of Linn County.

I submit my record as commissioner to you and invite your close scrutiny. I feel that I have done my duty as an official with justice and impartiality. If you think so, give me your vote.

T. J. Butler

For County Commissioner

W. E. CHRISMAN
OF SCIO
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W. E. Chrisman

P. H. FREERKSEN

Candidate for Republican
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