

FEDERAL ARMY TO CHECK TEXAS RANGER

REGIMENT SENT TO HEAD OFF TEXAS RANGERS

War Department Strengthens American Forces With Ninth and Seventeenth Infantries—Move Is Surrounded by Much Secrecy.

Fear Colquitt's Warlike Declarations Will Result in Reprisals by Mexicans—Move Merely a Safeguard.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The war department was strengthening the American force of troops along the Mexican border today.

The seventeenth infantry was ordered in that direction from Fort McPherson, Ga., with two battalions of the Ninth, from Fort Thomas, Ky., and the third battalion of the same regiment from Fort Root, Ark.

Their instructions were to join the troops under General Bliss' command in Texas. The movement was surrounded by much secrecy.

Patrol Entire Border The reinforcements will enable General Bliss to patrol the entire Texas-Mexican frontier, preventing Governor Colquitt of Texas from sending rangers into Mexico, should he attempt such a thing.

Officials responsible for the movement said the request for more United States troops in Texas came from Representative Garner of that state, who represented that Texans living near the border were afraid Colquitt's anti-Mexican utterances might provoke reprisals from across the Rio Grande.

His idea originally was to have the men now held in the Texas concentration camps detailed for patrol duty. President Wilson referred Garner's request to Secretary of War Garrison, who took the matter up with General Wood. It was the general's opinion that the troops at divisional headquarters on the border ought to remain there, but he suggested the detachment of regiments from interior posts to patrol the river.

Cavalry Relieved This was the plan decided on. It was said the Ninth and Seventeenth regiments probably would be stationed temporarily at Eagle Pass and Laredo, relieving the cavalry for more extended work. It was admitted that still more regiments might be transferred to the border.

From the white house came the explanation, however, that it should be understood the movement was intended to relieve the Texans' anxiety and was not to be interpreted as a warlike measure.

MILITIA DESTROYS STRIKERS' TENTS IN COLORADO FIELDS

DENVER, Colo., Mar. 11.—Every striking coal miner in Colorado will be advised to arm and protect himself and his home against mine guards and the state militia if the deportation of strikers in the Southern Colorado coal fields is again attempted, according to the declaration here this afternoon of Ed Doyle, John McLennan and John Lawson, local officials of the United Mineworkers of America.

The three miners leaders conferred with Governor Ammons here this afternoon and the latter told them he gave no order to demolish the tents and that he would investigate the affair. He said he would prohibit further deportations and demolition of tents.

TEXAS GOVERNOR DEFIES WILSON TO STOP RAIDS

Colquitt Challenges "Any Authority on Earth, Washington Included," to Prevent His Sending Texas Rangers Into Mexico on Raids.

Senator Sheppard Assures President That Colquitt Misrepresents Mexican Situation.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Governor Colquitt of Texas having been quoted as defying the federal government to prevent him from sending rangers into Mexico to protect Americans there or to avenge them in cases where their persons or property have suffered, it was understood here today that President Wilson was considering a United States patrol of the entire Texas-Mexican border, as insurance against any overt act at the governor's order.

Sheppard and Garner of Texas were understood to have told him Texans generally would welcome such a step.

Texans Welcome Patrol Colquitt was said to have announced in a speech before the Texas Cattle Ranchers' association at Fort Worth that he defied "any authority on earth, Washington included, to prevent me from protecting our citizens along the border."

He was quoted also as declaring: "You can't expect United States soldiers to cross the border for murderers and thieves—oh, no! But the Texas rangers can do it."

Senator Sheppard assured the president that Colquitt misrepresents Texas public opinion concerning the Mexican situation, and showed him a stack of telegrams from his constituents commending the "watchful waiting" policy.

No Mexican Debate From Senators Shively of Indiana and Lewis of Illinois the president received assurances also that no serious Mexican debate was likely in the upper house.

On the whole, judging from consular reports from border points, conditions were thought to have improved. Secretary Bryan left on a short lecturing trip.

SPEER IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS IN AIR

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The sub-committee of the house judiciary committee was preparing its report today on its investigation of charges preferred against United States Judge Emory Speer of Georgia.

Chairman Webb said the committee had not yet decided whether to recommend impeachment proceedings. The report will not be completed for ten days.

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF MOON DUE TONIGHT 7:41 TO 9:12 O'CLOCK

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Astronomers throughout North and South America and in western Europe were preparing today for observation of an almost total eclipse of the moon due this evening. The moon will enter the shadow at 7:41 4-5 p. m., Pacific coast time, reach the middle of the eclipse at 9:12 9-10, when nine-tenths of its diameter will be obscured, and emerge from the shadow at 10:44.

ARMY OF IDLERS TO BE DEPORTED IN SMALL SQUADS

Yolo County Officials Agree to Transport Men in Bunches of Twenty to Fifty to Different Sections Where Work May Be Had.

Hobo Officers First Reject Offered Terms and Then Reconsider—Further Discussion of Details.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Mar. 11.—Yolo county authorities are working this afternoon on a solution of the unemployed problem by moving the thousand-odd idle men off the West Sacramento company grounds in small groups of 20 to 50. After deliberating over the proposition made to them by Attorney A. W. Armfield of Woodland, on behalf of the Yolo county authorities, the leaders in the camp had about decided to accept the terms laid down to them earlier in the day.

he Yolo officers are going after the question from a different angle than the Sacramento authorities, who use clubs, guns and firehose. They are trying to get the army disintegrated without further conflict, and seem to be fairly successful in their dealings with the unemployed men.

Instead of flying around with an air of mystery and avoiding newspapers, the Yolo board of supervisors, sheriff, district attorney and others have come out in the open with their transactions. They are determined to handle the army without force, even though it might cost them a considerable amount to ship the men out of this section of the state.

In getting the army under movement, the Yolo authorities will not sanction a march of the entire army. They are willing to send the men out in small groups and give them a day's rations in addition. The temporary leaders of the army are favorably impressed with this offer, but would like to get further concessions concerning the number of men that will be transported and the town to which they will be sent. The Yolo authorities went to the camp late this afternoon to further discuss the situation.

WEAKNESS IN SUGAR MARKS TODAY'S MARKET

NEW YORK, March 11.—Weakness in American Sugar marked variety trading in stocks today. On the first few deals it dropped 2. Otherwise changes were small and mixed. When professional pressure was applied the market showed increased resistance on good support for Sugar. This stock rallied 1, and New Haven rose above yesterday's close. Bonds were easy. The market closed lower.

RIO JANEIRO, IN STATE OF SIEGE DUE TO REBELLION



GENERAL VIEW OF RIO DE JANEIRO A state of siege was proclaimed in Rio Janeiro, Brazil, recently, according to despatches from that city. It is understood that a strict censorship has been imposed on despatches from Brazil. Reports have been current for some time that a revolutionary movement was in existence in the States of Pernambuco, Ceara and Para and that fighting was in progress between local forces and the government authorities.

WILLIAM C. ELLIS, FAINTING IN WITNESS CHAIR BEFORE HE WAS CONVICTED OF MURDER OF HIS WIFE



William C. Ellis, the Cincinnati man, who has just been convicted of murdering his wife in a Chicago hotel last October, was placed under such a strain during the cross-examination by his prosecutor that he fainted in the witness chair. Before a crowded courtroom, in which there were many well dressed women, he showed signs of nervousness, and finally fell forward till he was caught by those nearest him.

REBEL VICTORIES AT TAMPICO AND LOMA REPORTED

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Mar. 11.—After a desperate encounter in the outskirts of Tampico, the rebels were reported here today to have driven the federals back into the town. Foreigners, it was said, were preparing to take refuge on board the warships in the harbor.

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mexico, Mar. 11.—Victory for the rebels in a hard fight with federal troops at Loma, southwest of Torreon, was claimed today by General Villa.

Sallying from Torreon, the federals attempted to rout a rebel force under General Contreras, which was closing in on the city. Villa said, but were themselves repulsed after a 24 hours' battle in which they lost 300 and had 200 captured.

SALEM, Mass., Mar. 11.—William A. Dorr of Stockton, Cal., sentenced to die here during the week beginning March 22 for the murder of his uncle, James Marsh, told his spiritual adviser, Rev. A. E. Harriman today that he had abandoned all hope of the state pardon board recommending commutation of his sentence.

SHINGLE MILL OWNERS VICTORS PROLONGED STRIKE

RAYMOND, Wash., Mar. 11.—After a conference lasting late into the night between W. T. Boyce, representing the department of labor, J. G. Brown, president of the timber-workers' union, E. E. Case and other mill operators, the strike of shingle-weavers, which has been in force on Willapa Harbor since February 18 was called off today and the men will return to work tomorrow.

The terms of the agreement are practically an acceptance of the conditions promulgated by the mill-owners in the ultimatum issued following the strike, the substance of which is that an open shop policy will hereafter prevail, union men will not be discriminated against, neither will they be permitted to agitate any changes of conditions but must present their demands directly to the operators, not as union men but as employees of that particular mill, no officers of the union will be given employment and the striking employees will be taken back only as openings occur.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION OF O'GARA OFFERED

Mass Meeting of Orchardists in Progress at Library—Resolutions of Appreciation of Services Rendered by Pathologist Introduced.

O. A. C. Professors Would Take Charge of Valley and Co-operate With County in Pathologist Work.

There will be no immediate appointment of a successor to Prof. O'Gara, as county pathologist, stated County Judge Tou Velle today. "The county will go along without one, for a time at least. The average orchardist has not appreciated what the county was doing for him and the county court is in no hurry to act."

A mass meeting of the fruit growers of Jackson county is being held at the Library building this afternoon to discuss the resignation of Professor P. J. O'Gara as county pathologist and the appointment of a successor. The following resolutions will be introduced by E. S. Palmer of Central Point:

"Whereas, Jackson county has for the past six years benefited by and enjoyed the services and friendship of Professor P. J. O'Gara; and, "Whereas, Professor O'Gara is about to leave this community to continue his work in another field, "Resolved—First, that we, the fruit growers and farmers of the Rogue River valley, are deeply appreciative of the high order of intelligence and tireless energy of the service rendered by him, and of the great benefits derived by us therefrom.

"Second, that we extend to him our hearty good wishes for his continued success and prosperity in his future career.

"Third, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and an engrossed copy thereof, certified by the secretary, be presented to Professor O'Gara."

Chairman Madden of the special blight committee is in receipt of a proposal by Messrs. Scudder and Lewis of the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis, both of whom are in the city, whereby the college offers to co-operate with the county in the employment of a pathologist, sharing in the expense to the extent of \$2000 a year. This will be brought before the meeting.

VERGARA'S DEATH DUE TO FEDERAL ASSERTS REPORT

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The report received from United States Consul Garrett, at Nuevo Laredo, concerning the death of Clemente Vergara, the American citizen who was enticed into Mexico and executed by federals, was forwarded to Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy at Mexico City for submission to President Huerta.

Garrett blamed the federal commander at Nuevo Laredo and named the federal soldiers he considered responsible for the killing. Statements by eye-witnesses of the tragedy were included.

There were no further developments today in the Benton case. At the request of Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee, Congressman Ainey this afternoon temporarily abandoned his plan for calling up his resolution asking the president for information concerning conditions in Mexico and details of any outrages perpetrated on Americans there.

LODGE OF OWLS EASY VICTIM OF CHECK ARTISTS

Organizer of Local Lodge in Jail and Probability Is That He Is Fakir—Money Not Received by Parent Lodge in Indiana.

J. K. Woods Under Arrest, Accused of Obtaining Money on False Pretenses and of Complicity.

Considerable doubt exists in the minds of a number of Medford Owls today, whether they are a duly formed organization, or a lifeless fraternal body, following the arrest last night of J. K. Woods, organizer, upon complaint of "Slim" Adams charged with passing checks without funds in the bank. A telegram from the national headquarters of the Owls at South Bend, Ind., brought the information that the \$100 for the charter has not been received, and the authorities are now trying to discover whether Woods is a real or pseudo organizer.

As far as the police have been able to figure out Medford merchants and citizens are out \$350 by the checks issued by Woods, and alleged to be worthless. Woods is held pending a preliminary hearing, and an effort is being made to see if his folks, who are said to be wealthy, will make good this amount. One check was issued in payment of the rent of the lodge room, and "Slim" Adams, B. S. Radcliffe, E. Hart, the U. S. Hotel at Jacksonville, and others cashed checks. Most of them were lodge brothers.

Another angle to the operations of Woods was brought to light this morning when it was said by the police that Woods had introduced two men to B. S. Radcliffe, "Slim" Adams Rankin Estes, as citizens of Eugene with good backing and lodge brothers. They were going to buy a barber shop here, and in the maneuvers managed to cash bad checks through fraternal ties as follows: B. S. Radcliffe, \$250; Rankin Estes, \$10, and "Slim" Adams, \$45, on Eugene banks. Chief of Police Hittson says he has a witness who will testify Woods received \$20 for his role in these negotiations. The two men were miles away before the forgery was discovered, and warrants are out for their arrest.

Woods declares that he is innocent of any intentions of wrong. He will be given a hearing when answers are received to telegrams sent out today.

WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO MURDER TO SAVE HUSBAND

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Mar. 11.—On the witness stand at the preliminary hearing of her husband charged with the murder of her father, William Jordan, Mrs. Thomas Redman calmly announced today that she, and not her husband, was guilty of the killing.

After Mrs. Redman's sensational declaration, Police Judge Chalmers dismissed the case against Redman and the woman stepping from the stand, tears streaming down her cheeks.

She was met by her mother, who screamed hysterically: "You lied! You know you lied!"

Mrs. Redman tried to put her arms about her mother, repeating that she had told the truth, but the older woman would not submit to her embraces. Jordan was shot and killed in the Redman home two weeks ago. He had quarreled with Redman over a motorcycle. Following the shooting Mrs. Redman told the police that she believed her husband's life was in danger, and that she handed him his revolver during the quarrel. Today she said that she fired the fatal shot herself, while holding her baby with one hand.