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THREE DIVISIONS OF REBELS CLOSE ON MEXICO CITY

Villa From the North, Obregon on the West, Gonzales on the East, to Begin Aggressive Campaign Upon Metropolis—Few Fortified Towns Still to Be Captured.

EL PASO, Tex., July 10.—The speedy movement of General Villa's army southward from Chihuahua City to resume the campaign against Mexico City was predicted here today, following the receipt of advices from Torreon that the internal peace conference was finally ended and a report of its transactions soon would be given to the press.

Where Commands Are
In the center, General Villa's division occupies the country from Juarez to Aguas Calientes, eighteen hours travel from the capital city of Mexico.

To the west, General Obregon has stretched his lines as far as Guadalupe, second largest city in the republic, and within six hours' ride by railroad to the central goal.

Once San Luis Potosi is captured the three military divisions of the constitutionalists' forces will converge on Mexico City, according to assertions made in El Paso today by both Carranza and Villa followers.

When this combination is effected, 60,000 men will be available for the movement against the ultimate goal. It was predicted here that this concentration will take place at Celaya, state of Guanajuato, and eight hours' ride from Mexico City.

To Take Fortified Towns
Before the three armies arrive there, two or three strongly fortified towns held by Huerta's troops, including Guanajuato and Silao, must be captured.

General Obregon has advised General Carranza that his troops in taking Guadalupe captured fifteen troop trains and eight cannons. Obregon stated also that seven machine guns, plenty of rifles and ammunition and two carloads of cannon ammunition were abandoned by the enemy.

The state highway commission has publicly stated and the division engineer assured the writer that as soon as the rights-of-way are secured construction will begin so that early in 1915 Siskiyou county will have its share of the highway in useable condition.

The early completion of the highway can only be assured by the hearty co-operation of your board and earnest desire on the part of each and every member to help in every way possible.

NEW ORLEANS, La., July 10.—Another death from bubonic plague was announced today, making a total of four cases and three deaths since the outbreak of the disease here June 27. Today's victim was Leon de Jean, a negro boy, who was found ill at his home on July 5 and removed to an isolation hospital for observation.

STANDARD OIL CUTS REFINED PETROLEUM
NEW YORK, July 10.—The Standard Oil company of New York today announced a 10-point reduction in refined petroleum, making cases \$1.90, tanks \$4.90 and standard white New York and Philadelphia 8.40 cents per gallon.

COST \$400.00 FOR MILITIA DURING CALUMET STRIKE
LANSING, Mich., July 10.—Maintaining the militia in the copper country during the strike last winter cost the state \$405,000, it was announced today.

Fishermen.
Our first auto stage will leave Nash Hotel for Bybee's bridge at 6 a. m. Sunday morning. Parties wishing to go on these excursions should engage seats immediately.
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TRAIN BANDITS LOOT EXPRESS TAKE PRISONER

Katy Flyer Held Up in Missouri by Masked Robbers and Track-Walker Captured and Taken Away to Prevent Identification—Jewelry and Silver Reported Stolen.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 10.—Two masked bandits who held up the westbound "Katy flyer" on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad near Matson, Mo., sixty miles northwest of St. Louis, last night, captured a track-walker, who surprised them as they were robbing the train, and took him away with them to prevent him saying on their departure.

Looked Into Two Revolvers
After the train had gone a short distance, John Snadley, the engineer, heard a noise behind him, and turning, looked down the barrels of two revolvers.

"He told me to stop the train," said the engineer, "and I stopped. Then they told the fireman to run back and uncouple the train between the last express car and the first passenger car."

The fireman did as he was told, and the bandits forced the engineer to run the engine and express cars to a point near Klondyke, on the river bank. They entered the American Express car and forced the express messenger, J. G. Nicholson, to stand with his face to the wall while they blew both doors from the safe.

Track-Walker a Prisoner
While this work was going on, a trackwalker, said to be William Christopher, appeared. The robbers announced they would take him prisoner.

As the train first stopped at the command of the bandits, the conductor, A. L. Mudd, and William Glass, train auditor, got off to keep the trouble.

"We were greeted with a fusillade of shots," said Mudd, "and were told to stay in the coaches. We staid in. I thought I saw five or six men, but of this I am not positive."

The engineer, the fireman and the express messenger say there were only two robbers. The bandits made no effort to molest the passengers, whom they warned to keep their heads inside the windows.

Jewelry Alone Taken
The express messenger refused to discuss the robbery, saying that the rules of the company enforced silence on him. So far as known, nothing was taken except the contents of the express safe. Mudd said he saw several pieces of jewelry on the floor of the express car after the robbery.

N. T. Brown, general agent here for the American Express company, said there was no money in the express safe, but that there were a few packages of jewelry, the value of which he would not estimate.

Emil Ahmann, constable, said the train crew told him the bandits carried away a sack of silver weighing fifty pounds.

GRAND JURY PROBES LORIMER BANKS

CHICAGO, July 10.—The first special grand jury to investigate the closing of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank and the other Lorimer-Munday concerns involved in the bank's troubles was called today by Maclay Hoyne, state's attorney. The federal grand jury to investigate the bank was ordered impaneled July 13.

PRESIDENT TAKES LONG WALK ABOUT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, July 10.—President Wilson took a long walk today about the business streets of the capital, mingling frequently with the crowds and stopping to look into shop windows.

John A. Perl UNDERTAKER
Lady Assistant
26 S. BARTLETT
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Ambulance Service Deputy Coroner

USE OF CONCRETE HIGHWAY BEFORE SETTING RUINS IT

The Medford-Central Point section of the Pacific highway will be open for general traffic August 9, thus giving the cement the requisite chance to set. Watchmen are employed to guard every section. Jobs A. Perl and George Hilton, who removed barricades and tore off a bridge, will be arrested, and County Attorney Kelly asserts that all violations will be vigorously prosecuted.

Engineer Kittredge has issued the following public statement:
"We wish to call the attention of the taxpayers in general to the fact that there are a few of their number who seem to disregard the country's good and our efforts to lay a good pavement. These people are damaging the pavement by driving onto the concrete before it gets set. They have disregarded road closed signs and removed barricades in order to get onto the new pavement.

"We expect a section in front of Mr. Hanley's place to go to pieces under heavy and continued traffic, and lately two automobiles carrying taxpayers of Jackson county deliberately removed barricades near the Pacific & Eastern Railway company's crossing and drove across the pavement."

"Many people who are not familiar with concrete when laid in a thin slab wonder at the length of time they are kept off the pavement when it looks so hard, and doubtless those who disregard orders do not realize that the concrete can be ruined just as effectively when the surface is hard, but new, as when it is soft. The only difference is that in the soft concrete a track is left on the surface, indicating the damage, while in the older concrete which is hardened on top the crack is made on the under side of the pavement and does not show on top, since the surface is in compression.

"These cracks are of the worst possible nature, for the bond and cementing qualities in the adjoining particles are lost and the under side of the pavement shattered. Months later, under heavy and continuous traffic, pot holes develop on the surface over these shattered places, and then these same taxpayers who caused the damage during the first three or four weeks after laying are the loudest in defaming concrete and those who laid it. And with all due respect for the opinions of the motorists and farmers regarding the setting qualities of cement, it is to be remembered that the state highway engineer, and not the traveler, is held responsible for the pavement, and therefore his orders, and not the inclinations of each individual, should be followed.

"Until the entire road will be opened, people traveling between Medford and Central Point will find the temporary road extending northward from Central avenue and leading into the Pacific highway at Mr. Benson's place, to be quite serviceable. The farmers along this route have very kindly opened this route to the public during the construction of the highway.

"The highway department knows and appreciates the fact that the people of the county as a whole are co-operating with them in every way possible and realize that the public is just as indignant at the vandalism of the few as those in charge are.
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WILSON TO FIGHT FOR CONFIRMATION OF BANK BOARD

WASHINGTON, July 10.—President Wilson will make no nomination for the federal reserve board in place of Paul Warburg of New York, until the senate takes definite action on his name. Mr. Wilson expects though to place the responsibility on the senate for leaving the board incomplete. That is the president's position in his fight with the senate over Mr. Warburg's nomination, as expressed today by officials in his confidence. Mr. Warburg has finally decided that he will not appear personally before the banking committee to be cross examined, and the president is backing him in that stand.

TYPHOON DAMAGES HARBOR AT GAUM

WASHINGTON, July 10.—A typhoon which raised the heaviest sea in the harbor at Guam in years and caused considerable damage to crops was reported today in despatches to the navy department from Captain William Maxwell, commander of the naval station and governor of Guam. No lives were lost. A shortage of rice and corn is expected to result.

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