MEXICO LAND OF CONTRASTS AND GREAT EXTREMES

WASHINGTON, April 4.—"Mexico, a land of contrasts, of great riches and extreme poverty, a few of its people amassing millions, while myriads are starving, a place where the most modern machinery may be found in operation at the very side of the most primitive method of accomplishing the same end, where beautiful architecture is in contrast with adobe huts and where shining automobiles of the latest design whirl past sleepy ox teams hauling cars with solid wooden slabs for wheels identical with the design which was used at the time of the Spanish conquest," is the subject of a bulletin issued by the National Geographic society from its headquarters in Washington today.

"Passing down a prominent street in almost any of the large Mexican cities, there may be seen fashionably dressed gentlemen, who look very much as though they were just as much at home on Piccadilly, the Champs d'Elysees or Fifth avenue, following or preceding them, however, will be sandalled peon clad in linen trousers and a blouse, with his 'serape' thrown over his shoulder and his head protected by a wide-brimmed sombrero and his entire worldly possessions upon his back.

Wealth and Poverty.

"In the next block one may meet an Indian woman, barefoot and with uncovered head, a child slung in the 'rebosa' over her shoulder. About her there is a suggestion of garlic, onions and 'pulque,' while passing along the same street comfortably ensconsed in her victoria, dressed in a latest Parisian creation, rolls milady, also of the same nation.

"A gorgeously appointed funeral car bearing the remains of one whose family can afford this expense, may arrive at the burial place simultaneously with three or four peons, packing on their shoulders the body of a comrade in a plainly painted coffin, the use of which is rented and which will be returned after the body is given interment.

"A speeding automobile diverts its course to avoid a drove of sleepy burros laden with lumber, feed or pottery, or a great motor truck may move side by side with lithe 'cargadores' carrying, mountain high, on their backs, household goods of every description.

Peons and Palaces.

"One-story and possible single-room adobe houses plastered in colors adjoin large structures of elaborate architecture and the poor peon passing along to his humble abode may catch a glimpse through a spacious doorway of a beautiful patio adorned with flowers and fountains. Later on when he sits down to his tortillas and frijoles, his next-door neighbors is probably being served with the richest viands and the rarest wines.

"Back in the country districts the whirr of a sewing machine may be heard coming from a cane or a mud hut while the head of the house may be seen scratching the ground with a crude plow of essentially the same design as those used in Mesopotamia in the time of Nebuchadnezzar, or threshing his grain by driving animals over it.

Climate Also Extremes.

"In the sugar-growing country, wooden, stone or copper rolls operated by animal power extract the saccharine matter from the cane and excess molasses is absorbed by a wad of mud, although a few miles distant an hacienda with the highest type of roller mills, vacuum pans and centrifugals, produces larger quantities of sugar of a superior quality.

"The climate too has its extremes, and in the highlands the nights are cold, and the sunny side of the street at noon is too warm for comfort. The lowlands have days of intense torrid heat, preceding others when a strong 'norther' chills to the bone. Months of drought, during which little if any rain falls, are succeeded by intervals when rain may be expected for a part of every day. Of such contrasts is Mexico, once called the 'Treasure House of the World.'"

ARMY AVIATION HEAD IS NAMED

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Lieutenant Colonel George C. Squire, recalled from his post as military attache at London, will be assigned to command of the army aviation school at San Diego, it was officially announced today. Colonel W. A. Glassford now in charge, probably will be transferred to San Francisco. Army officers expect that Colonel Squire later will be placed in charge of the entire army aviation service.

BRITISH DENY CENSORS STEAL TRADE SECRETS

LONDON, March 17.—In reply to an inquiry of the Associated Press in regard to the charges made in the United States senate that the British censorship was being used for the purpose of gaining trade information for the use of British traders, Lord Newton of the foreign office made the following statement:

"The American press recently reported certain statements made in the senate referring to the censorship of mails in the United Kingdom, and extracts were quoted by Senator Walsh and others from a confidential circular issued by the British postal censor to his examiners of letter mails. The conclusion drawn from these instructions was that his majesty's government are utilizing the censorship to discover the trade connections of neutral foreign firms in order to wrest their legitimate business from them in the British interest.

"That this deduction is entirely erroneous may be best demonstrated by the examination of paragraph 2 of this circular. This lays down the order that the examination of letters is conducted with the following object:

"(a) Direct trading with the enemy.

"(b) Indirect trading with the enemy.

"(c) Trading by unauthorized persons in the British empire in munitions of war.

"(d) The discovery of intermediaries—that is, evidence that persons or firms in neutral countries are acting as intermediaries for the enemy in correspondence or business.

"(e) The procuring of statistics; but it is laid down that this subject has reference to the two particulars of direct shipment or shipments on through bills of lading to neutral countries in Europe of those commodities upon which from time to time the trade branch is instructed to furnish a statistical report.

HAWAIIAN FILM SHOWN AT PAGE

"Alohe Oe," an Hawaiian film drama, is Ince's contribution this week to the Triangle pictures at the Page theater. It is a beautiful film. The storm at sea is one of the most magnificent scenes which we have observed in a moving picture theater. Nothing more realistic has been produced on the screens than the ship laboring in the "white squall." A wide variety of scenery is found in "Alohe Oe," and Mr. Ince, not hampered for money, let no detail escape his notice.

The distinguished actor, Willard Mack, plays the stellar role with telling effect, and his leading woman, Enid Markey, a well-known figure in theatrical circles, makes a beautiful and emotion appeal as the Hawaiian girl.

In the Triangle Keystons, "A Village Scandal," there are three stars, Raymond Hitchcock, Roscoe Arbuckle, and Flora Zabelle; Raymond Hitchcock, the celebrated actor in famous musical comedies, and his wife, Flora Zabelle, who has also been a great popular favorite in the same lines, have many admirers. Then Fatty Arbuckle, he's always amusing, and with the help of Hitchcock he is funnier than ever. "The Village Scandal" is just bubbling over with the action and fun that Mack Sennett likes to show, and he is at his best this time.

Living models, of the big fashion display, exquisite dress creations, the style show was very highly appreciated by the ladies who attended the Page performance last night. The gowns worn are through the courtesy of the May company and there will be a complete change each night. "Alohe Oe" and "The Village Scandal" will also be repeated tonight.

FIRST PRIMARY IN NEW YORK STATE

NEW YORK, April 4.—For the first time in the history of New York state voters today will elect delegates to the democratic, republican and progressive national conventions in direct primaries. The republicans will choose 87 delegates, including four at-large, three less than the number sent to the 1912 convention. The democrats will elect 90 delegates and the progressives 47.

There are comparatively few contests.

IT'S MAN TO MAN WHEN SOLDIER-RULER MEE TS FIGHTING MEN IN TRENCHES

As a soldier and not as a czar, a comrade, not ruler, Nicholas of Russia frequently visits the men at the front. The welfare of his troops is a matter of personal concern to the czar, and it is said he keeps closely in touch with the condition of his fighting men. He is here shown leaving a trench on the firing line.

CHICAGO VOTES ON ALDERMAN; FIGHT IS BITTER

CHICAGO, April 4.—Chicago's aldermanic election opened today with bitter factional fights on both the democratic and republican side. The republicans have 35 members in the present council, the democrats 29, and the progressives, socialists and independents each two.

The bitterest fight is in the republican ranks where Mayor William R. Thompson and opponents of the administration are struggling for control of the council.

Women voters have been active in the closing day of the campaign and their vote, it is said, will exert a strong influence on the result of the election.

124 ILLINOIS TOWNS IN DRY ELECTIONS

CHICAGO, April 4.—One hundred and sixty-five townships in Illinois, in which there are 124 cities, villages and settlements are voting on local option today. In more than eighty of these townships the issue was brought before the voters on petitions filed by the "drys." In others that have been dry the last few years the "wets" filed the petitions.

Of the larger wet cities voting today there are none—Aurora, Dixon, Moline, Waukegan, Lincoln, Alton, Galena, Rock Island and Savannah.

Among the dry cities in which the issue has been raised are Bloomington, Freeport, Belvedere, Kewanee, Elgin and Decatur.

TEUTONIC ALLIES MODIFY AIMS

LONDON, April 4.—Count Stephen Tisza, the Hungarian premier, is quoted in dispatches from Budapest, according to the Exchange Telegraph company's correspondent at Amsterdam as stating in an interview that Austria-Hungary is not fighting to secure new territory in Europe, but merely is united with Germany in a struggle until a fair and satisfactory conclusion is reached. "That is all we want," he is reported to have said. The premier denied that Austria is sick of the war, but he admitted that the war was long, hard and painful for all.

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FUNSTON SENDS MORE TROOPS TO GUARD PERSHING

WASHINGTON, April 4.—General Funston advised the war department today he was sending more troops into Mexico from Columbus to protect the line of communication with General Pershing. He did not state whether or not any additional troops had been sent forward to the military base.

So far General Funston has not suggested reinforcement of General Pershing's forces, except merely to protect the extended communication lines, and there was no confirmation today of border reports that additions to the fighting column would be required.

Late reports to the war department say parts of the Fifth and Eleventh cavalry and the Twentieth and Twenty-fourth infantry were stationed at Columbus.

Nineteen Apache scouts and trailers have been ordered from Fort Apache, Ariz., to General Pershing's column. Captain Hazzard of the Tenth cavalry, who was with General Funston when he captured Aguinaldo, left with the scouts for the border today, but he will not accompany them into Mexico.

The army censorship today veiled the number and personnel of the additional troops which have been sent across the border. Major General Scott, chief of staff, said the extra troops had left Columbus two days ago, but no word of the movement had been allowed to leak out. It was believed that the Fifth cavalry, recently sent from Fort Meyers, Va., Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Fort Leavenworth, Kan., were drawn upon.

SALVAGE ZEPPELIN LOST IN RAID

LONDON, April 4.—The British Aeronautical interview has asked the government's permission to undertake, at its own expense, the salvage of the Zeppelin L-15 which is lying in shallow water off the mouth of the Thames. The interview believes that if the salvage is undertaken by aircraft experts, "the Zeppelin can be saved, rebuilt and launched against the enemy within three months."

KENT EXPLOSION IN POWDER PLANT DEATH TO 200

LONDON, April 4.—The explosion of a powder factory in Kent has caused the death or injury of 200 persons, it was announced officially today.

The following statement was given out:

"The minister of munitions reports with great regret that during the week-end a serious fire broke out in a powder factory, which led to a series of explosions in the works. The fire was purely accidental. It was discovered at mid-day and the last of the explosions took place shortly after two o'clock in the afternoon.

"The approximate number of casualties is 200."

PERSHING FAR IN HILLS IN MEXICO WORD WITHHELD

COLUMBPS, N. M., April 4.—General J. J. Pershing has established his camp so far into the wilderness of the Guerrero mountains and so far beyond the range of communication that his staff officers were obliged to report again today that they had no knowledge of his whereabouts. This information came in reply to demands on the part of the war department for a list of American casualties in the San Geronimo engagement.

The department officials have been in receipt of numerous communications showing the anxiety of relatives of soldiers in Colonel George A. Dodd's command. Reports of heavy firing along the American line of communication, cause some fear that the threatened attempt of Villistas to cut off a truck train had developed. Investigation proved that members of the engineering corps who are repairing the road from here to Casas Grandes, had been hunting game.

Two messages came to the state department regarding alleged location of Villa south of Chihuahua. Department officials believe that from their information and press reports it was definitely established that he was headed south.

Today's official dispatches varied regarding the reported injuries of the bandit chief. At the state department, those in close touch with the chase doubted that he had been hurt. They pointed out that since Villa's fight March 27 with the Carranza garrison at Guerrero, he had apparently traveled about 200 miles through mountain paths over the roughest of country, and, if wounded, such a feat would have been almost impossible.

DRY GAINS SHOWN BY MICHIGAN VOTE

DETROIT, Mich., April 4.—Late returns from the thirteen counties which voted on the local option issue yesterday made certain that prohibition forces increased the area of the dry territory in Michigan by two counties. The prohibitionists retained their four counties where the question was before the people and seven counties retained their saloons.

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