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THREATENING, COOLER
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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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MEDFORD OREGON, SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 1916

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AMERICAN TROOPS CROSS BORDER AFTER BANDITS AND BATTLE IN PROGRESS

TROOPS MAY BE FIGHTING U.S. CAVALRY

Third Cavalry Under Major Anderson Follows Hot Trail of Mexican Bandits Across Border and Battle Ensues—Reports Do Not State Whether Force Opposed to Americans Are Bandits or Carranza Troops—Border Raids or Attempted Raids Continue.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 17.—American troops crossed the border below Brownsville this afternoon and immediately were engaged in fighting, according to a report from General Parker to General Funston.

The brief report did not state whether the force opposed to the Americans were bandits or Mexican troops.

The American troops engaged are those of the second squadron of the third cavalry under Major Anderson. The troop under Captain Newman, who was first dispatched towards San Benito, in pursuit of the bandits that attacked there last night, a detachment of the twenty-sixth infantry was the first to cross, that troop being followed within a short time by Major Anderson with the remainder of the squadron.

A second squadron of the third cavalry, commanded by Major Edward Anderson, left Fort Brown at 1:30 o'clock today for a point ten miles off the Rio Grande river to reinforce Lieutenant A. D. Newman, pursuing a "hot trail" of the Mexican bandits, who attacked near San Benito last night. The command includes 250 men, every available mount being used. The machine gun troop of the third cavalry also was ordered out.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 17.—General Parker had made no further report at 4 p. m. relative to the Americans crossing into Mexico. The point of crossing was Naranjos, 15 miles up the river from Brownsville.

Firing Is Heard.
BROWNSVILLE, Tex., June 17.—Telephone reports received here at 3 o'clock this afternoon from Villanueva said that firing had been heard in the direction of the Naranjos ranch, about four miles up the river from Villanueva.

Lieutenant A. D. Newman of Troop H of the thirteenth cavalry crossed into Mexico opposite Villanueva at 11 o'clock this morning on a "hot trail."

Reports that three bandits were killed in a fight with American troops ten miles east of San Benito last night were untrue, according to reports received here today. The Americans, however, wounded several of the band. Details of the fight received here say a detachment of infantry were fired on from the brush by twenty-five or thirty bandits. The soldiers dropped to the ground and returned the fire. After the first few volleys the Americans rushed the

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PORTLAND PROMISED SHIPS FOR WHEAT

PORTLAND, June 17.—As a result of the recent fall in charter rates, wheat exporters here stated today that they believed ships would come to Portland and Puget Sound this fall to load grain for Europe, a condition, which appeared impossible until a few days ago. Charter rates out of Atlantic ports where practically all vessels have been loading for the last six months, have dropped from 90 and 100 shillings to 70 shillings. No vessel has been engaged here, however, although the new crop soon will be ready to move.

U.S. IGNORES IMPUDENCE BY TREVINO

Warning Given Pershing by Trevino That Any Move of American Troops Except Toward Border Would Be Regarded as Hostile Act Will Not Change Purpose of United States to Keep Expedition in Northern Mexico or Prevent Steps to Deal With Bandits.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 17.—General Pershing has told General Jacinto Trevino, in reply to the message warning him that any move of the American troops except toward the border would be regarded as an hostile act, that he could not recognize his authority to govern the movements of the American expedition.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Warning from Mexican authorities that any movement of American troops except in retirement towards the border would precipitate hostilities will not change the purpose of the United States government to keep its expedition in northern Mexico or prevent General Pershing from taking any steps necessary to insure the safety of his own columns and deal with bandits threatening the border.

No Advance Planned.
No advance further south is contemplated and it is not believed here the Carranza forces are planning an immediate attack upon the American forces.

The war department today was without advice from General Pershing regarding the warning said to have been sent him by General Trevino. But General Funston reported the substance of a telephone conversation he had with General Bell at El Paso who stated it as a fact that such a warning had been given.

Diplomatic officials were inclined to believe that if General Trevino served a warning it was for home consumption. They thought it might be a political move by General Carranza designed to offset the activities of the anti-American element in Mexico.

Co-Operation Promised.
General Funston reported also that Major Gray of the fourteenth cavalry, commanding the two troops attacked by Mexicans at San Ignacio, Tex., recently, had returned from an effort to pick up the trail of the bandits. The cavalry crossed to the Mexican side, but encountered none of the outlaws.

Major Gray reported he had received assurances of co-operation from Carranza military commanders across the line. The Mexican officers said they had captured twenty men believed to have been engaged in the attack on the American camp.

Practically all available regulars of the United States army, including many coast artillery men, already are on the border or in Mexico, and the national guards of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico are in service for patrol duty. The guardsmen of other states were notified some weeks ago to be prepared to respond if it should become necessary to call them out.

Embassy in Ignorance.
It was learned today that consular officials at San Antonio were in ignorance of the incident.

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BRITISH FORCED TO RETREAT NEAR KORNA

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 17.—British forces attempting to cross the lower Euphrates river near Korna were forced to retreat in disorder after a six-hour battle, says the Turkish official statement issued today. The British left 180 dead on the field.

CHARLES E. HUGHES—THE CANDIDATE



Here are the first pictures of Charles Evans Hughes, showing how he looked after he tossed aside States supreme court and entered the whirl of politics as a candidate for the presidency of the United States. This picture was taken when Hughes arrived in New York to make preliminary arrangements for political activities since the days when he was campaigning as governor of New York.

ZAPATA FORCES ROUTED BEFORE CITY OF MEXICO

EL PASO, June 17.—General Pablo Gonzales, directing the campaign against the bandit leader, Zapata, in Morelos, has made important captures of rebel supplies and restored railway and postal facilities to that state, according to a message received here today by the Mexican consulate from Mexico City. The capture is claimed of twenty carloads of shells, twelve cannon, an outfit of cartridge-making machinery and fifteen locomotives.

General Gonzales furthermore claimed to have defeated and dispersed Zapata forces at Tlaltizaplan. The message to Consul Gavira also told of the extreme measures the government is taking to regulate food prices. It states that the bakers, who have been raising the prices and curtailing the production of bread, despite an abundance of flour, have been notified that they must resume normal operations, keep their places open afternoons and post their list of prices, under severe penalties for disobedience.

Orders have been issued, the message says, providing that persons arrested must be taken immediately before the proper tribunals.

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FAIR WEATHER IS FORECAST FOR WEEK

WASHINGTON, June 17.—The weather predictions for the week beginning Sunday, issued by the weather bureau today, say: "Rocky mountain section, generally fair. Warm first half of week, followed by change to cooler after Wednesday in the northern portion. "Pacific states generally fair, with temperature near normal."

DEVELOPMENTS DELAY REPLY TO CARRANZA'S EDICT

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Although the United States' reply to General Carranza's last note is virtually completed, its dispatch is being delayed while administration officials seek detailed information on these developments.

Carranza's thrust, reported from Chihuahua yesterday, having been transmitted to General Pershing through General Trevino, to start active warfare if American troops in Mexico are moved in any direction except northward toward the border. Another bandit raid on Texas territory north of Brownsville last night. The attack on American troops by Mexicans at San Ignacio Wednesday.

Reports of warnings by the Carranza commander opposite San Ignacio that American troops would be attacked if they crossed the Rio Grande, regardless of their purpose.

Additions to the note dealing with some of these late developments may be made, it is said. Officials' present intention is to dispatch the reply within a few days.

HUGHES TO MOVE TO SUMMER HOME

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Charles E. Hughes, Republican presidential candidate, spent most of today making preparations for moving his family to a summer home before he starts on his first campaign trip. His first callers were the newspaper men.

Callers who had engagements included Representative W. B. Stephens and Senator John H. Warner, both of California.

GIRLS IMPEACH EVIDENCE GIVEN IN ORPET TRIAL

WAUKEGAN, Ill., June 17.—The state today brought eighteen 18-year old girls to court to impeach the testimony of Josephine Davis in the trial of Will H. Orpet, for the alleged murder of Marion Lambert. The girls had attended Marion Lambert's eighteenth birthday party February 6, three days before her death.

The first of the girls to take the stand, Bernice Wells, testified that Marion seemed happy at the party. She did not see her cry, as Miss Davis had testified, nor had she seen Marion and Miss Davis alone at any time during the party.

Anna Paulson was the next witness.

"Did you see tears in the eyes of anybody at the party?" asked Mr. Dady.

"Yes, in Marion's and in my own, she said she had taken it for granted that I would stay with her that night."

Miss Minnie Ramsey, Marion's Sunday school teacher, was the next witness. She had seen Marion practically every Sunday for three months and once a month at social gatherings at the church.

"Marion was unusually gay and happy at times," said Miss Ramsey. "She was always the life of the party."

BORDER PREPARES FOR EVENTUALITIES WITH MEXICANS

EL PASO, Tex., June 17.—Carranza having thrown down the gauntlet to the United States in his address to General Pershing that any troop movement east, west or south would be regarded as a hostile act, every precaution was being made along the border today for eventualities.

Officers and soldiers of the American expedition here were kept closely to their quarters. Street car service to Juarez was at a standstill and efforts were made by United States customs officials to persuade American citizens not to cross the river.

Tensions was noticeable on the Mexican side, where numbers of civilians were arming themselves. Reports from authentic sources indicated that recruiting for the army was being pushed in all the larger cities in northern Mexico.

There were no indications of onward developments in this city during the night.

ROOSEVELT PASSES COMFORTABLE NIGHT

NEW YORK, June 17.—Theodore Roosevelt passed a comfortable night, coughing a little, but not violently, and today his voice was stronger and he hoped to return to Oyster Bay this afternoon. The colonel, his physicians announced last night, has suffered a slight attack of pleurisy. They considered his condition satisfactory.

Colonel Roosevelt this afternoon again visited his physician and after returning to his hotel had a talk with Raymond Robins, chairman of the progressive national convention and Governor Hiram Johnson of California.

SLAVS TAKE RADZILOWO IN ADVANCE

Railroad Center Near Lemberg Occupied—No Sign of Halt in Powerful Russian Offensive—Checks Fail to Stop the Rush—Battle Extends in Area—Germans Rush French Positions at Avocourt to Meet Repulse—Intense Bombardments in Progress.

PETROGRAD, June 17.—Russian troops have occupied the town of Radziow, on the railroad sixty miles northeast of Lemberg, according to the official statement issued today by the Russian army headquarters.

LONDON, June 17.—There are no signs of a halt in the powerful Russian offensive in Volhynian-Galicia and Bukovina. The latest Austrian official statement tells of a Russian check here and there, but the Russians remain on the aggressive.

French positions in the Dead Man hill sector, northwest of Verdun, are again the object of German attacks, the big guns of the crown prince violently shelling the French trenches. The British destroyer Eden sank as the result of a collision in the English channel. Three officers are missing.

German Report.
BERLIN, June 17, via London.—General Von Linsingen's troops have engaged the Russians in battle in the Stokhod and Stry sectors, says the official statement issued by German army headquarters today.

The statement adds that parts of the army of General Count Von Bothmer are engaged in battle with the Russians to the north of Przewloka.

French Report.
PARIS, June 17.—In the course of last night's fighting German troops attacked the French positions at Avocourt with grenades, says the official statement issued today by the French war department. In the region of Le Mort Homme there was an intense bombardment.

In the Vosges, after a violent bombardment of Hill No. 425, to the east of Thann, French infantry, the statement adds, penetrated the first and second lines and brought back a number of German prisoners. The report states:

"In the Vosges, following a violent bombardment on the part of our artillery directed against the German works at Hill No. 425 east of Thann, a detachment of our infantry penetrated to the first and to the second German lines, which were cleaned up. The French detachment returned without having suffered losses and brought with it some prisoners."

Austrian Report.
BERLIN, June 17.—Austro-Hungarian troops south of the Dniester river, in Galicia, defeated a Russian cavalry force on Thursday, according to an official statement given out by the Austro-Hungarian army headquarters, under date of June 16.

"On the whole Volhynian front new combats have been started. On the Stokhod and the Stry several enemy

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RAILROAD APPEALS TO EMPLOYEES LOYALTY

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—General Manager S. C. Long, of the Pennsylvania railroad today appealed to the 146,000 employees of the company's lines east of Pittsburgh, asking for the continuance of their loyalty and calling for volunteers to maintain the service in the event of a trainmen's strike.