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WAR WITH MEXICO AS LAST RESORT, SAYS PRESIDENT

MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PREVENT CONFLICT

Makes It Plain That He Will Not Countenance Conflict Until There is No Other Alternative For Settling Troubles.

WILLING TO SACRIFICE

tions as to What Is Just Course to Pursue-Thousands, He Said, Appealing to Him to Maintain Peace.

Press Club b aquet that he will not opinion of mankind. countenance a war with Mexico until there is no other alternative for settling the border troubles.

tunes in order to carry out his con- force. victions as to what would be the just course to pursue in the situation.

Bainbridge Colby, who placed Thecampaign, as it was reported he would

said:

dress this thoughtful company of men settlement comes. without any preparation whatever. * * But gentlemen, as a matter of fact. I have been absorbed by the responsibilities which have been so frequently referred to here tonight, of indifference to me what the verdict and that pre-occupation has made it on the seventh of November is providimpossible for me to forecast even ed I feel any degree of confidence what you would like to hear me talk that when a latter jury sits I shall about. * * Mr. Colby said something that was among the few things I had forecast to say myself. He said does that make? but in my favor as that there are some things which it an honest and conscientious spokesis really useless to debate, because they go as a matter of course.

"Of course, it is our duty to prepare this nation to take care of its honor and of its institutions. Why debate any part of that, except the detail, except the plan itself, which is always debatable?

"Of course, it is the duty of the Government which it will never overlook, to defend the territory and people of this country. It goes without saying that it is the duty of the Administration to have constantly in mind with the utmost sensitiveness every point of national honor.

"But gentlemen, after you have said and accepted these obvious things your program of action is still to be formed. When will you act, and how

will you act? "The easiest thing is to strike. The brutal thing is the impulsive thing. No man has to think before he takes aggressive action but before a man really conserves the honor by realizing the ideals of the nation, he has to think exactly what he will do and how he will do it.

"Do you think the glory of America would be enhanced by a war of conquest in Mexico? Do you think that any action of violence by a powerful nation like this against a weak and destructive neighbor would reflect distinction upon the annals of the United States?

"Do you think that it is our duty to carry self-defense to a point of dictation into the affairs of another people? The ideals of America are written plain upon every page of Ameri-

"And I want you to know how fully I realize whose servant I am. I do was officially advised that gold and not own the Government of the Unit- silver bullion belonging to Americans ed States, even for the time being. I have no right in the use of it to ex- ties at Manzanillo totaled nearly \$500,press my own passions. I have no 000. The seizures were reported to right to express my own ambitions have begun before the Carrizal incifor the deevlopment of America if dent. A protest already has been those ambitions are not coincident made to Gen. Carranza. with the ambitions of the nation it- Reports 'of continued seizures in house and senate. It carries \$25,748,

myself that I am not the servant of cases the property has been left bethose who wish to enhance the value hind by Americans fleeing from the of their Mexican investments, that I country. There has been no indicaam the servant of the rank and file tion that the local authorities acted

of the people of the United States. "I get a great many letters, my fel- no reply has been received to the replow citizens, from important and in- resentations made several days ago fluential men in this country, but I to Cen. Carranza. get a great many other letters. I get letters from unknown men, from humble women, from people whose names have never been heard and never will nois infantry, Col. Sanborne commandbe recorded and there is but one ing, arrived at Fort Sam Houston and prayer in all of these letters 'Mr. went into camp. The Seventh New President, do not allow anybody to York regiment also passed through persuade you that the people of this San Antonio en route to stations in country want war with anybody.'

I was bidding bood-bye to the engi- ty-first, are expected shortly.

neer, he said in an undertone, 'Mr. President, keep out of Mexico.' And if one man has said that to me a

thousand have said it to me as I

have moved about the country.

"If I had opportunity to engage them further in conversation they say 'of course, we know that you cannot govern the circumstances of the case altogether, and it may be necessary, but for God's sake, do not do it unless it is necessary.'

"I am for the time being the spokesman of such people, gentlemen. I have not read history without observing that the greatest forces in the world and the only permanent forces POLITICAL FORTUNES are the moral forces. * *

"Force will not accomplish anything that is permanent I venture to Determined to Carry Out His Convic. say, in the great struggle which is going on on the other side of the sea. The permanent things will be accomplished afterward when the opinion of mankind is brought to bear upon the issues, and the only thing that New York .- President Wilson made will hold the world steady is this it plain in his speech at the New York same silent, insistent, all-powerful

"Force can sometimes hold things steady until opinion has time to form, but no force that was ever exerted ex-Again he declared that he was cept in response to that opinion was ready to sacrifice his own political for- ever a conquering and predominant

"I think the sentence in American history that I myself am proudest of is that in the introductory sentences odore Roosevelt in nomination for the of the Declaration of Independence have bombarded several of the Verpresidency at the Progressive Con- where the writers say that a due revention at Chicago, paid President spect for the opinion of mankind de-Wilson high tribute in an address, but mands that they state the reasons for did not declare unqualifiedly that he what they are about to do. I venture French attacks against the famous would support him in the coming to say that a decent respect for the opinions of mankind demanded that those who started the present Euro-In his address President Wilson pean war should have stated their has been re-captured by the French reasons but they did not pay any "I realize that I have done a very heed to the opinion of mankind and imprudent thing; I have come to ad- the reckoning will come when the

kind. Personally, it will be a matter in this sector had to be withdrawn. get their judgment in my favor. Not Troops Face Each Other Across River my favor, personally-what difference

man of a great national convention. "There are some gentlemen who are under the delusion that the power of not. It comes from the bottom."

TO SUPPRESS NEWS OF TROOP MOVEMENTS raiders.

Washington-Secretary Baker anto all department army commanders ranch 54 miles southeast of El Paso. to suppress all news concerning troop Lieutenant Fiardy with only part of movements.

movements en route to the Texas bor- Captain Eltinge, several hours later der or in Texas might result in some arrived with two troops from El Paso malicious act that might seriously to make an investigation and to conhamper these movements and also tinue the pursuit if he considered it ad- 1,272,746. On May 1, 1916, this had might result in unnecessary loss of visable. He was instructed not to prelife among the troops, it is directed cipitate a clash with Mexican troops that all concerned be instructed to if it could be avoided. the effect that no information as to movements of troops is to be given ston's headquarters indicated nothing to representatives of the press or any more exciting along the international 1916. The national bank depositors individuals other than the officials of line than the exchanging of shots bethe railroads concerned or the repre- tween sentries at Nogales. Apparentsentatives of the American Railway ly no early offensive by the concenassociation located at the various de- trated forces of the Mexicans in front partment headquarters and mobiliza of General Pershing's positions was

tion and concentration points." The department also announced which start for the border without tion will be supplied by Gen. Funston upon reaching the border.

MEXICANS SEIZE MUCH GOLD AND SILVER BULLION

Washington.-The state department and seized by local Mexican authori-

various parts of Mexico reached the "And I have constantly to remind department during the day. In most on instructions from Mexico City, but

First Troops at Border.

San Antonio, Tex.-The First Illithe Brownsville district. Other New "I got off a train yesterday and as York regiments, including the Seven

10,000 PRISONERS TAKEN BY ALLIES

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BRITISH AND FRENCH CONTINUE GREAT SOMME-ANCRE DRIVE.

Continue Efforts Around Verdun-Intensity of the Great Battle Does Not Diminish Any During Sunday.

London.-All through the night and Sunday the great British and French offensive which began Saturday morning in the Somme and Ancre sectors continued with intensity. Both British and French War Offices report a steady advance at certain points, but speak also of the formidable German resistance.

Fricourt, an important town, three miles East of Albert, has fallen to the British arms, while the French have taken Gurlu, which lies to the South-The fighting at the southern end of the British line, where it is in contact with the French, is of the fiercest nature tremendous artillery actions preceding all infantary at-

The French have taken 6,000 prisoners, according to the latest estimates, while the British, though reporting the capture of 3,500 later declared that the estimates were too low. Owing to the nature of the battle, it is not doubted that the casualties are very high.

Notwithstanding the terrific offen-

sive against them in the Somme River

region, the Germans have not ceased in their effort around Verdun. They dun sectors and have launched infantry attacks against the French trenches. While Berlin declares that the Thiamont work were repulsed by curtains of fire the French War Office announces that this strategic position

Referring to the Anglo-French drive the Germans official statement says that at several points of the first "So, gentlemen, I am willing no line trenches along the Somme the matter what my personal fortunes enemy forces gained success and were may be to play for the verdict of man- able to advance. A German division

forces and is held by them.

BANDITS DRIVE HORSES FROM BORDER RANCH

and Sentries Exchange Shots.

San Antonio, Tex.-Captain Leroy Eltinge with two troops of the Eighth Cavalry searched the country on the Mexican side of the river opposite Fort Hancock, Texas, for bandits who a nation comes from the top. It does fled back into Mexico, after raiding the American side. It was reported he had returned to the American side of the river, having lost the trail of the

The best information obtainable indicated there were eight Mexicans in the raiding party which drove off a nounced that orders have been sent few head of horses and cattle from a one troop followed their trail to a The order follows: "In view of the point where it ended at the river, and

All reports received at Gen. Funcontemplated.

All officers commanding the troops that National Guard organizations along the 1,700 miles of border are cautioned to avoid clashes with the full complements of field transporta. Mexican troops that face them, but the recurrence of such incidents as that at Nogales has caused staff officers to fear that something may happen at any time that may serve as the basis for further complicating the situation.

FORTIFICATIONS BILL BIGGEST EVER VOTED

Washington.-Approval of a conference report on the biggest fortifications appropriation bill ever sent to the White House was voted by the 050 in cash appropriations and \$13, 800,000 for authorized contracts. The senate added \$4,880,050 to the house total, largely increasing items for reserve ammunition.

OBREGON STRENGTHENS HIS ARMY ALONG BORDER

San Antonio, Texas.-While the war department was moving into the frontier thousands of the National Guardsmen, General Obregon, Carranza's minister of war, was engaged in strengthening the border army. Minor changes were directed by him in his armies that now are quartered in force in almost all northern cities, except a few that lie under the American guns, according to information at Fort Sam Houston.

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NO RIGHT TO KEEP TROOPS IN MEXICO

FOREIGN OFFICE ISSUES MEMOR-ANDUM IN REPLY TO LAN-SING'S NOTE.

REPORT STEADY ADVANCE REPLY RESENTFUL IN TONE

Memorandum Contains 35 Counts .-Denies That Bandits Along International Boundary Line Have Been Protected.—As to Huerta.

Mexico City.-The Foreign Office issued a memorandum in reply to Secretary Lansing's recent note, in which the correctness of assertions in the communication |from Washington were repeatedly denied. The memorandum declares that the United States | prisoners taken at Carrizal has averthad no right to maintain its armed ed the probability of immediate reforces on Mexican soil.

The memorandum contains 35 ment should have been pained at the American troops in northern Mexico document, since it maintains that the United States has sent to the Constitutional Government not only one, but many discourteous and even overbear-

Emphatically reiterating the Mexican Government's position denying the right of the United States to keep armed bodies in Mexico, the memorandum denies energetically that the Mexican Government has protected bandits who had committed depredations in the United States

Blame for the Santa Ysabel massacree is placed on the so-called impulsive and irascible disposition of Charles Watson, general manager of Cushihuiriachi Company; and General Scott and General Funston are accused of bad faith and lack of honor in misleading General Obregon in an alleged evasive reply regarding the crossing of American troops into Mexico after the Glenn Springs raid.

The memorandum asserts that while it is true that the United States arrested (General Huerta, the motive which prompted the act was not a purpose of aiding the Constitutionalist Government, but because the United States feared that General Huerta was plotting with Germany.

The note concludes by declaring that the presence of American troops in Mexico invites rather than prevents bandit raids along the border.

SOUTHERN BANKS SHOW

THE BIGGEST INCREASE Comptroler of Currency's Report

Shows Large Increase in South. Washington.-A report just made public by the comptroller of the currency on deposit accounts in national banks May 1, 1916, shows that the Southern States led the nation in the largest percentage of increase since June 30, 1910, Tennessee ranking first and South Carolina second. North Carolina occupies sixth place. The Southern States June 30, 1910, was tional bank accounts for each 991 of

The number of depositors in the Southern Staates June 30, 1910 was been increased to 2,814,508, the increasing being 1,541,762, or 121 per cent. In Tennessee the increase in six years was 251 per cent or from 73.329 depositors in 1910 to 257,508 in in South Carolina increased 217 per cent or from 39,217 in 1910 to 124,423 in 1916. Oklahoma increased 188 per cent. Idaho 169 per cent. Virginia 155 per cent and North Carolina 152

EXTRA PAY FOR SERVICE ACROSS MEXICAN BORDER

Washington.-Extra pay for foreign service will be allowed the American troops serving across the border under a decision by Comptroller Warwick of the treasury. Enlisted men will receive 20 per cent additional and officers 10 per cent.

FRANK MUNSEY BUYS THE NEW YORK SUN

New York .- After 23 years of unsuccessful effort to establish a propritary news gathering and distributing organization in opposition to the cooperative form of the Associated Press. The New York Sun has just been sold to Frank A. Munsey, a member of the Associated Press, and beginning at once will no longer try to gather its own news and will receive the service of the dominant organization.

SENATE PASSES ONE OF BIG DEFENSE MEASURES.

Washington.-The fortifications appropriation bill, one of the Administration's three big defense measures. was passed by the Senate and sent to the House for conference. Its total had been reduced from \$34,300,000 as it passed the House to \$26,500,000. The bill provides for both coast and field artillery ordnance and ammunition. Last year's appropriation was \$17,000,000. The senate added \$4,000, 100 for ammunition.

VITAL POINT HAS NOT BEEN SETTLED

NO. 48.

THE WASHINGTON GOVERNMENT AWAITS FULL COMPLIANCE OF DEMANDS.

CHASE OF BANDITS AN ISSUE ALSO KILL OWNER'S BRIDE HEAVY

Return of Prisoners Clears Atmosphere Pending a Satisfactory Answer to the More Far-Reaching Requirement. - Continue to Move Troops.

Washington.-The Washington Government still awaited full compliance with its demands by the de facto authorities of Mexico. Release by General Carranza's order of the American taliatory steps. It is possible that it has also helped to pave the way tocounts. Although not in the form of ward an attempt at peace settlement a direct reply to the Washington note of the whole border situation. High it is considered equivalent to an an- officials made it very clear, however, swer to that document. It expresses | that the vital point at issue, the future surprise that the Washington Govern- attitude of Mexican forces toward tone and the contents of the Carranza engaged in guarding the border and pursuing bandits who raided American territory-remains to be settled.

The State Department had no advices as to when a diplomatic reply to its demands might be expected. Pending a satisfactory answer to its

second and more far-reaching requirement, the United States will continue take every step necessary in preparation to carry out its purposes by force of arms

Intimations have come, it is understood, that Carranza intends to back up the orders issued to General Trevino directing that American troops be attacked if they moved in any direction in Mexico except toward the border. Officials are fully prepared for a reply of that character, despite the fact that the prisoners at Carrizal have been promptly surrendered on demand. They expect, however, that the reaffirmation of position will be made in a note free from hostile language and continuing the discussion

of the advisability of the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico. Apparently Secretary Lansing is deintentions on which action by the United States can be founded.

Carranza officials profess an earnest desire to avoid a clash, however, and a further struggle to fix diplomatically responsibility for hostilities that may

come is foreshadowed. Mr. Lansing made it clear to Ignacio Calderon, Minister from Bolivia, that pending a formal reply from the Carranza Government to his last note no offer of mediation would be acceptable to the United States.

DEATH PENALTY PRONOUNCED ON SIR ROGER CASEMENT

Party Guilty of High Treason. London.-Viscount Reading, Lord Chief Justice of England, with the tence of death for high treason on the and his wife. The general sentiment Irishman, Sir Roger Casement, half an seemed to be that the incident demonhour after the foreman of the jury, in strated anew the inability of the Cara shaking voice, gave the cerdict of ranza government to offer any proguilty.

Sir Roger addressed the court, would serve to bring matters to reading his final statement, with the head quickly. explanation that he wished it might reach a much larger audience than the people of America, from whom practically completed the disposition to him and whose own struggle for ble hostilities with the United States. liberty, he said, always had been an inspiration to Irishmen.

Sir Rogers' auditors, among whom were Viscount Bryce and many other in deepest silence, some moved

The prisoner declared he did not regard trial by Englishmen in an tion and present an obstacle to a pos-English court as a trial by his peers, to which he was entitled.

PERMISSION GIVEN TO REMOVE BODIES

Mexico City. - Minister of War Obregon Instructed General Trevino, the Mexican commander at Chihuahua, to Inform Consul Garcia at El Paso that no impediment would be placed in the way of the American authorities if they desired to remove the bodies of the American troopers killed at Carrizal to American territory.

HUNDREDS OF EX. U. S. MARINES VOLUNTEER

Washington.-Although the United States Marine Corps has no reserve, hundreds of former members have volunteered for service in the old corps ed at Marine Corps heaquarters. The Marine Corps form the first line of the national mobile defense, and the volunteers are likely to get quick action in case of war, as the marines are usually "first in" when actual hositilities commence.

REPORT NEW RAID ON BORDER RANCH

MEXICAN BANDITS RAID RANCH NEAR HACHILA, N. M., KILLING OWNER.

Possee of Ranchmen and Citizens Assisted By American Cavalry Are in Pursuit.-Will Cross Border Into Mexico if Necessary.

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Columbus, N. M.—American cavalymen assisted by posses of ranchmen and citizens of Hachita and nearby towns are pursuing bandits who had raided a ranch about 35 miles southwest of Hachita, N. M., killing William Parker, the owner, and Mrs. Alice Parker, his bride of five months. The district being remote, no re-

port had reached Colonel Sickle, commanding the border patrol here, at a late hour, but it was assumed that the raiders had crossed the frontier perhaps with the pursuers close behind. According to stories reaching here the bandits are Mexicans who recently committed numerous minor depreciations in the district. Parker, from whom Mexican bandits stole a number of head of stock last week, attempted to drive them off, but was forced to retreat to the ranch house. The maurauders followed, broke termined to get a clear statement of through the door and murdered Parker and his young wife. They are said to have made their way south driving a number of cattle and horses road. It was the first section of the before them.

Immediately the news of the raid became known and citizens of Hachita B, Kinston, Captain Hill; Company C. and other communities in the neigh- Selma, Captain Manning; Company D, borhood formed posses and motored to Goldsboro, Captain Malone; Company the ranch to take up the trail of the bandits. Shortly afterward cavalry detachments were ordered from Las Cienegas, Alamo, Hueco and other outposts.

RAID MAY SERVE TO BRING CRISIS TO HEAD

Irish Agitator and Leader of Separist General Trevino Has Practically Completed Disposition of Troops.

El Paso, Texas.-Excitement here over the Mexican controversy was reblack cloth-by tradition called a cap newed with the receipt of news of -spread over his head, and his two as- the bandit raid across the border near sociates in scarlet gowns, likewise Hachita, resulting in the murder of black-capped, pronounced the sen- William Parker, American renchman, tection to the American frontier and

Mexican reports indicated that General Trevino, commanding the Carthe one before him, and particularly ranza army corps of the North, has had come many messages of sympathy of his troops in preparation for possi-The command, the strength of which variously is estimated from 25,000 to 40.000 men, has been distributed along duct of the troops was excellent. the two railroads to Chihuahua, the prominent men and women, listened Mexican Central and the Mexican

to Northwestern, and in the Santa Maria River Valley, in such a way as to menace the American line communicasible American drive toward Chihuahua City.

14.000 TROOPS ON WAY TO GENERAL FUNSTON

New York .- At the urgent request of General Funston orders were issued by Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the Department of the East, for Pennsylvania and District of Columbia troops to entrain for the border at the earliest possible mo ment. It was believed at headquarters that many would move to border soon. The Pennsylvania troops were ordered to El Paso and those from the District of Columbia to Bisbee, Ariz. General Wood in a report to the

War Department said there now are 14.061 troops en route to the border from New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Vermont. The quartermaster's department announced that supplies for an army of 200,000 men have been provided along in case of emergency, it was announce the border. From the same source it was learned that 2,000 motor transport trucks had been purchased from 20 automobile manufacturing concerns at an average cost of \$3,000 each and that bids had been asked for 400 passenger automobiles to be used by the officers of the various commands.

N. C. TROOPS READY

NO ORDERS HAVE YET BEEN RE-CEIVED REGARDING THE FUTURE.

LOSSES SUSTAINED

All of Men Are Being Vaccinated Against Ayphold.—Second Regiment Arrives.

Camp Glenn.-140 information has reached here yet as to the future destination of the North Carolina troops. Orders are just as they were when the companies arrived at the camp. All the officers and men stand ready to go with equal alacrity to any point, whither they may be ordered, whether it be El Paso or Del Rio, San Antonio or Marfa, Vera Cruz or Alphine, an

unpeopled waste or a populous city. The typhoid vaccination of the men of the First Battalion has been completed and now the whole regiment is immune against typhoid. Immediately after the typhoid vaccination the whole regiment will be vaccinated against smallpox.

There was no joy in Company C, Captain Wooten, Winston-Salem, when the physical examination of that company left only 57 qualified, 43 having been rejected principally for underweight. The field hospital and ambulance companies have been mustered in, officers and men, the hospital officers being Maj. F. J. Clemmenger, Lieutenant Piatt, Lieutenant McConnell and Lieutenant Benjamin Merriwether. During examination the field hospital lost by rejections eighteen of its 72 men and the ambulance company only five out of 79 men. The four officers passed of the ambulance company are Captain Reynolds, Lieutenant Meas, Lieutenant Ray and

Lieutenant Davis. From authorative source it is learned that the Department at Washington has decided to furnish only Western horses to North Carolina regiments. These will be delivered to them when they get to the border, though it is understood that the Cavalry troops, not yet arrived, are buying their

mounts in their own sections. Just as the supper mess call was sounding the whole camp was aroused by cheers half a mile up the rail-Second North Carolina coming. In the fourteen coaches were Company E. Goldsboro, Captain Bayne, and Company E, Goldsboro, Captain Hobbs. They were accompanied by Major Simpkins, First Battalion, and Major Faircloth, Second Battalion, who also was in command of the train. Also came along the hospital company, one officer and 28 men and band, 29

men from Kinston. The regimental staff of the second includes Colonel W. C. Rodman, Washington, who is already here; Lieutenant Colonel J. Van D. Metz, Wilmington; Major Faircloth, Clinton; Major Simpkins, Goldsboro; Captain Shaw, Adjutant; Captain Freeman. Quartermaster; Captain F. L. Black, Charlotte, Commissary.

The first section arrived earlier in the day. Company H brought three officers and 74 men; Company E, 3 officers and 104 men; Company D, 3 officers and 83 men; Company C, 2 officers and 86 men; Company B, 3 officers and 84 men; Sergeant Major Bagby, 30 band members and infirmary, one officer and 28 men. On arrival at Camp Glenn they went immediately into camp, which had been prepared for them. Major Faircloth said there were no casualties and the con-

Durham Lady Burned.

Durham.-Barely escaping fatal injuries, Mrs. M. T. Adkins was dangerously burned about the face, neck and arms and was violently shocked when she swept dynamite caps into a small open fire in the yard at her home.

Stanly Farmers Advancing. Albemarle.-Some of the farmers in Stanly county have as much as 160 acres in clover sod. Over \$10,000 orth of clover seed was sold by the armers of the county last year and the yield is increasing rapidly. There are about 200 boys in the 1915 Boys' Corn Club. Pig clubs are being formed and a large number of full-bred pigs are being distributed to all parts of the county. Farmers are buying

the fullbred Jerseys, Holsteins and

other stocks and thereby raising the

standard of their livestock.

Bleachery for Leaksville-Spray. Leaksville-Spray.-Ground has been broken for one of the buildings to be known as the bleachery in connection with the new million-dollar underwear plant by the Thread Mill Company, one of the Marshall Field Company in-

terests. The Marshall Field interests are ust now completing additions to their Mants at Spray and Draper, which represent a capital investment of \$2,-000,000, adding to the plants they had already.