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INTIMATION IS THAT CARRANZA WILL ATTACK AMERICANS AS THREATENED

Mexican Cabinet Is Said to be Urgent and Even Defiant in Its Attitude and Would Even Demand the Immediate Withdrawal of All United States Forces From Mexico—General Carranza's Reply is Anxiously Awaited in Washington—To Suppress Troop Movement News.

Washington, June 30.—Private advices reaching Washington today from reliable sources in Mexico City said General Carranza and his advisors had determined to stand by orders to General Trevino to attack American troops in Mexico moving in any direction except toward the border, and that no way was seen to avoid a break with the United States.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, June 30. A faction of the Mexican cabinet, it is said, was urging and even demanding in its attitude and wants to include in the reply to the American request for a statement of its intentions a new demand for the immediate withdrawal of all United States troops now on Mexican soil.

The advices did not indicate when the response from General Carranza might be expected. The last word on the subject to the State Department was in a message from Special Agent Rodgers who said he expected the note to be handed him Wednesday night.

When President Wilson met with his cabinet just before leaving for New York to deliver an address, the unfavorable private report had not reached him and there were practically no new developments in the Mexican crisis to be considered.

Military preparations are being rushed to completion, however, and diplomatically there is nothing to be done until General Carranza's reply is received or it becomes apparent that he will not reply within a reasonable time.

The Mexican ambassador called on Secretary Lansing early today to communicate formally the information that his government had ordered the release of the American troops captured at Carrizal. A brief talk followed, during which Secretary Lansing took occasion to make it plain that the Washington government expected an early reply to the note forwarded to Mexico City last Monday. The ambassador was impressed with the fact that the State Department was growing impatient at the delay.

All members of the cabinet agreed after the meeting today that both the situation and the policy of the United States were unchanged as a result of recent developments.

The release of the captured troops delayed military action but has not relieved the critical diplomatic situation now existing.

Several reports from Special Agent Rodgers referring to the report or routine matters did not mention the Mexican note. He has had no light to shed on the probable course General Carranza will take. It is known that interests in the Mexican capital, which have been exerting every effort to prevent a break, are much discouraged.

Delay of Benefit to U. S.

Washington, June 30.—The Mexican situation stood today virtually where it was 48 hours ago. It is expected that many more of the National Guards will be hurried to the border and the time allowed to General Carranza to declare his intention towards the American troops in Mexico is growing shorter.

No time limit is set in the note which President Wilson sent demanding the prisoners be released and the attitude of the de facto government known, but there are indications that the administration would welcome delay for a few days more. This would permit not only the concentration of troops to meet the demand of actual

hostilities should this come, but also give ample time for the gathering and mobilization of supplies and strengthening of the aerial forces. Army officers believe that the time wasted by a delay would mean an advantage to the American forces, which would compensate a similar advantage to the Mexicans.

For this reason there is less impatience shown than might be expected in official circles over the delayed reply of Carranza. No intimation is given when this reply is expected. No word as to when it would be dispatched had reached Washington early today.

There were unofficial intimations that the communication would reaffirm the Mexican government's intention to attack the American troops in Mexico moving in any direction other than toward the border.

If the language is not hostile, however, the way may be left open for further diplomatic discussion of the question.

The American government has forwarded to General Carranza another communication calling attention to the numerous reports of seizure of American property by local officials. In most cases the confiscation occurred after the American owners had fled from the country.

Suppress Movement of Troops.

Washington, June 30.—Secretary Baker announced today that orders had been sent to all department army commanders to suppress all news concerning troop movements.

MUCH YET TO SETTLE.

United States Waiting for a Full Reply to the Washington Note. Washington, June 29.—The Washington Government still awaited tonight full compliance with its demands by the de facto authorities of Mexico. Release today by General Carranza's order of the American prisoners taken at Carrizal has averted the probability of immediate retaliatory steps. It is possible that it has also helped to pave the way toward an attempt at peace settlement of the whole border situation. High officials made it very clear, however, that the vital point at issue, the future attitude of Mexican forces toward American troops in northern Mexico engaged in guarding the border and pursuing bandits who raided American territory—remains to be settled.

An Unusual Course.

The State Department had no advices tonight as to when a diplomatic reply to its demands might be expected. The Carranza Government has adopted the unusual course of complying in fact with an urgent demand from a foreign government before it even acknowledged receipt of the note or made any statement of what it proposed to do.

Will Continue Troop Movements.

Pending a satisfactory answer to its second and more far-reaching requirement, the United States will continue to hurry troops to the border and to take every step necessary in preparation to carry out its purposes by force of arms.

Carranza Still Obdurate.

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

EDWARD W. POU



Congressman Edward W. Pou, of the Fourth district, has been ill for some week and unable to attend to his duties. Mr. Pou is expected in Washington today to resume his active duties as a member of Congress.

of American troops from Mexico.

Profess Desire to Avoid Clash. Apparently Secretary Lansing is determined to get a clear statement of intentions 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.

U. S. Refuses Mediation.

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

The attitude of the government on the question, as officially outlined is that arbitration is wholly out of the question; the United States has nothing to arbitrate. If General Carranza should withdraw his hostile orders, however, and then propose that all attempt be made to formulate through mediators an agreement of some sort for joint operations in protecting the border it might receive consideration. No plan would be acceptable to the United States, however, that in any way hampered its own efforts to guard the lives and property of its citizens.

GIVING TROOP AN OVATION.

Asheville Turning Out En Masse to Witness Departure of Cavalrymen for Camp Glenn. (By Associated Press.)

Asheville, June 30.—Troop B, Asheville's cavalry unit, is preparing to entrain this afternoon for Camp Glenn, at Morehead City. The ovation given the departing infantrymen last week is expected to be repeated and the police are prepared to handle the large crowd on the line of march from the armory to the station and those assembled at the station.

GERMAN OFFICER ACQUITTED.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, June 30.—Hans Tauscher, the former German army officer, was acquitted here today by a jury of conspiracy to blow up the Welland canal.

MUSTERING OF THE TROOPS PROCEEDS

First is Examined and Mustered in and the Officers Will Take Charge of Second.

THIRD REGIMENT TO REACH CAMP GLENN SATURDAY.

Guards About Aeady to Move and Do Not Expect Release of Troopers to Settle Matters.

(By Associated Press.) Morehead City, June 30.—With the work of mustering in the First Regiment of North Carolina infantry into the Federal service practically completed today, men came and marched in lines expect on tomorrow to be in charge of the Second Regiment, which arrived here on Thursday.

The Third regiment will arrive tomorrow. Indications are that the First regiment will be ready today, here the first of the work for the Mexican border.

Getting Things in Shape.

Camp Glenn, June 29.—With Col. J. T. Gardner, of Shelby, in command of the camp in the absence of Brigadier-General Lawrence W. Young, camp life moved along in the usual routine today. The second regiment of North Carolina under Col. W. C. Rodman, spent the day erecting tents and getting quarters in shape. The newcomers were put through the drills today, but that part of their training will begin with vigor tomorrow.

The release of American cavalrymen and prisoners in Mexico brought pleasure to Camp Glenn. Officers expressed considerable satisfaction, an evidence of the fact that Carranza is not willing to push matters to the crisis. However, it is not thought it will have very much effect on the presence of the troops in Mexico. From all indications North Carolina troops will proceed as soon as prepared. The quieting of the disturbed atmosphere after the prisoners' release may result, it is thought, in sending the State troops as a brigade rather than as individual units.

MEXICANS ROBBED AMERICAN TROOPERS.

El Paso, Texas, June 29.—The 23 troopers of the Tenth Cavalry and Lem H. Spillbury, Mormon scout, captured by Mexicans at Carrizal were brought to the international bridge at 3:15 o'clock this afternoon. General Bell was waiting with a written receipt for their delivery. The actual transfer was at 3:16, when General Bell's receipt passed into Mexican hands.

Three of the negro troopers declared they were certain that several of the American wounded left on the field of battle at Carrizal subsequently were killed by the Mexicans.

The men making these statements were Archie Jones, William D. Gibson and Luther Alexander. They said they had been robbed of money valuables.

STEPS TAKEN TO AVOID TROOP TRAIN CONGESTION.

San Antonio, June 29.—Officers of the quartermaster's department were in communication today with officials of the different railways concerning the movement to border stations of the national guard. Army officers anticipate no difficulty in the transportation of the thousands of men until they reach converging lines. As they near the border, however, the danger of congestion will become greater and railway officials are studying the movement of troop trains.

Reports to Gen. Easton today from border commanders contained shots being exchanged by sentries at Nogales last night.

Blockaders Captured.

Mount Airy, June 28.—Deputy Collector C. H. Haynes and a posse of men early this morning captured an illicit still about 10 miles from Mount Airy, three miles beyond the Virginia line. James A. McCraw and Wiley Vernon, caught operating the distillery, were arrested. Both men gave bond for their appearance in Hillsville, Va., on July 5.

"Do you guarantee these bathing suits?" asked the Summer Girl. "Yes, indeed," replied the young man behind the counter. "These bathing suits are made from the most shrinkable material in the market."

General Tasker H. Bliss, Assistant Chief of Staff



Photo by American Press Association. General Tasker H. Bliss, lieutenant general, United States army, holds the office of assistant chief of staff. He is one of the most learned and widely experienced men in the service, having acted in many important capacities since his graduation from West Point in 1875. He was a member of the joint army and navy board in 1905-10.

MAKING HEADWAY IN FOURTH PLANS

The Committee is Getting Things Under Way. Preparedness Parade to Be Feature of the Parade on the Glorious Fourth—Splendid Program Arranged.

PREPAREDNESS PARADE.

Don't forget that big preparedness feature of the 14th of July parade. Mayor Walter H. Woodson will head the section with a big U. S. flag.

Let's fall in line behind the mayor and make the pageant a big success. Two hundred patriotic men are expected to fall in line.

A splendid program has been arranged for the Fourth in Salisbury. The Glorious will be celebrated in most becoming form here next Tuesday when the eagle will scream and the paraders will parade. A most attractive program has been arranged for the day and the indications are that there will be many visitors in Salisbury that day.

One of the most attractive features of the day is the Preparedness parade being planned. The petition is being circulated and those who will sign are agreeing to enter the parade, the preparedness section and help to swell the parade and give their approval to the preparedness program of the day in America. This feature is in charge of Mr. Charlie Coggins and if as many as one hundred men sign up it will be made a feature of the day's parade.

Program.

- Morning. Organization making best appearance \$10 and \$5. Best decorated float \$10. Best decorated automobile or vehicle \$10. Best clown make-up \$5. Farmer with most people on one turnout \$5. Best decorated Ford car by Rouzer Garage \$10 and \$5. Best decorated Chevrolet, Maxwell, Chandler, Oakland or Cadillac car by R. Lee Mahaley Livery, Sale and Motor Co. \$10. Best decorated Overland or Studebaker car by Thompson's Garage \$10. Best decorated Saxon \$5. Best decorated Reo \$5. By Salisbury Hardware & Furniture Co. Best decorated Paige car \$5. Best decorated Allen car \$5. By A. J. Gemayle, Spencer, N. C. Best decorated Jeffrey or Strips-

BANDITS HANGED.

Denning, N. M., June 30.—Four Villa bandits who took part in the Columbus raid were hanged in the county jail here today.

RUSSIANS FORCE BACK AUSTRIANS.

London, June 29.—The Austrian official communication received here tonight reports that the Austrians have been compelled to retire from parts of their front at Kolomea, in East Galicia in Bukovina and southward. The statement says that massed Russian attacks over a front of 40 kilometers in the region east of Kolomea led to stubborn battles and hand-to-hand fighting. In this fighting, after Austrian reserves had been hastily brought up, the superior forces of the Russians were repulsed, but in the evening the Austrians were compelled to retire on a part of the front of Kplomea in East Galicia and southward.

After a terrific artillery bombardment the statement adds, big battles developed on the Italian front in the regions of Monte San Michele, near San Martino and east of Vermeigliano. These battles continue, but the Italian attacks are being partly repulsed by counter-attacks.

TROOP B THROUGH TONIGHT.

Other Asheville Soldiers to Pass Here En Route to Morehead City to Prepare for Border.

Another detachment of the North Carolina National Guard will go through Salisbury tonight on their way to Camp Glenn at Morehead City to prepare for transfer to the Mexican border. Those to pass here compose Troop B of Asheville and they leave the mountain city this afternoon on a special train at 3:30 o'clock, being due to arrive in Salisbury about 8:30 or 9 o'clock. This will make the third consignment of Asheville troops to go to Morehead City.

Wouldn't it be fine if family jars could only be solved by preserving peace?

Booth car \$5. By Cathey Buggy Co. Afternoon.

- Trotting and Pacing Purses \$75. Mule race \$10 and \$5. Free for all trot or pace, road race \$10 and \$5. 3 mile Motorcycle race \$15 and \$10. 2 mile automobile race \$10 and \$5. Pushmobile races: 1st prize \$2; second prize \$1; third prize 50c. Athletic Contest by Community Y. M. C. A. boys. Folk Dance by Chestnut Hill Play-SOC

GERMANS DELIVER FRONT ATTACK

Reduce Their Pressure Along the East Bank of the Meuse and Consecrate Elsewhere.

ARTILLERY ENGAGEMENTS CONTINUE BRITISH FRONT

Russian Forces Struggling With Turks on Persian Front Are Forced to Withdraw.

(By Associated Press.)

British officers' casualties up to June 1st were 27,905 and the number killed 8,574.

Reducing their pressure along the east bank of the Meuse, north of Verdun, the Germans last night attacked on the westerly side of the stream on a wide front extending from the Avoucourt wood on the extreme French left to a point east of hill 301, about two miles northeast of the wood.

Paris today announced that the German troops had succeeded in carrying positions east of hill 304 a spirited counter attack alternately drove them out. Liquid fire was used freely by the Germans in their attack on the principal French position.

Engagements chiefly between the opposing artillery forces and patrol detachments continue along the British front and large sectors of the French line south of Argonne. The Germans are displaying more activity in these operations, apparently endeavoring to wrest the initiative from the Franco-British forces.

The Russian forces, which have been struggling with the Turks on the Persian frontier of Mesopotamia northeast of Bagdad, have been defeated in an attack on the Turkish positions and compelled to withdraw toward the southeast, according to Constantinople.

REJECTIONS ARE MANY.

On Account of Physical Imperfection Many Soldiers Boys Are Sent Home.

Camp Glenn, Morehead City, June 29.—A total of 335 rejected men for physical disability were shipped back to their proper homes today. Of these 312 were from the regiments proper, 19 were from the field hospital and four from the ambulance company.

The rejections in companies A, B, C, D, I, and M have already been sent.

Today's examinations leave in Company E only 55 out of 80, in Company K, 43 out of 65, Company L, 91 out of 135.

Tomorrow will be examined the first field staff and band and Companies H and F. That will complete this regiment.

The regiment proper, only 833 out of the original 1,145; in the field hospital, 53 out of original 72 and ambulance company 75 out of original 79.

POLICE CHANGE TOMORROW.

Mr. J. H. Mingus Goes on Force As Patrolman and Captain Changes to Sergeant.

The changes in the present police force, as a result of the election and orders by the board of aldermen at their regular meeting, go into effect tomorrow, July 1st. Mr. J. H. Mingus will be a new face on the force of patrolmen, while Messrs. Jordan, Shuping and Lentz will end their terms as police officers. The office known as captain which is held by Mr. B. Frank Cauble, will hereafter be termed sergeant, and it will be Sergeant Cauble instead of Captain Cauble in the future.

The new uniforms recently ordered will not be here for some days and the men will not be able to don them when the change is made tomorrow.

WHITE OAK TOMORROW.

Spencer Will Engage the Splendid Mill Team From Greensboro on Local Diamond Saturday Afternoon.

There will be another good base ball game at Spencer tomorrow afternoon when the White Oak team from Greensboro comes over to meet the Spencer Railroaders. The game will be called at 4:15 and a spirited contest is expected. White Oak's lineup is composed of some fine players and a large crowd should witness the game.

Many a man has been left because his watch wasn't right.