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TREMENDOUS BATTLE BEING WAGED ON EASTERN FRONT

NOW HOPEFUL THAT MEXICAN AFFAIR WILL COME OUT O.K.

SPRIT OF OPTIMISM OVER THE SITUATION PREVAILS IN WASHINGTON.

TROOPS ARRIVE AT BORDER

War Department is Still Preparing for Any Eventualities. Militia is Dispatched to Various Points Along the Frontier.

(By United Press) Washington, July 3.—Mexican matters today appeared to the State Department to be shaping themselves satisfactorily. There still remains the important reply to the latest American note and the announcement of Carranza's attitude regarding the presence of the American troops in Mexico.

While optimism is the keynote today, the war department is continuing hastily to prepare for any eventualities.

Troops Arrive at Border. El Paso, July 3.—Eastern militia-men arrived at the border in large numbers. They were sent immediately to censored stations. The men, generally, are in good shape, in spite of the terrific heat.

ONE AMERICAN KILLED AND THREE WOUNDED IN FIGHT WITH BANDITS

Washington, July 3.—Private Mills was killed and First Sergeant Marriester, Trumpeter Goldsmith and Lieutenant Roben were wounded in two engagements with Mexican bandits at Santo Domingo Saturday.

INTERESTING EVENTS TAKE PLACE TOMORROW

Picnic, Trap Shooting and Ball Game Will Offer Diversion for Local Citizens.

Hundreds of persons are expected to attend the big union Sunday school picnic that is to be held at Washington Park tomorrow. An enjoyable day's outing is assured to all who attend. Boating and bathing may be indulged in by those who love the water, while various athletic events will also form an important part of the entertainment.

The Gun Club will give two shoots tomorrow, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. It is expected that these events will also draw a large number of spectators.

At 4 o'clock Washington will play Aurora at the New Park.

KODAK FILMS For tomorrow July 4th, Baker's Studio.

CHILDREN ARE MADE STRONGER and healthy by open air exercise. The playgrounds of Washington Park are just the things. See A. C. Hathaway and build at once. 7-3-16-1p

CARRANZA A PRISONER?

(By United Press) Philadelphia, July 3.—"Carranza will force war in order to escape from Mexico City, where he is virtually a prisoner," said W. F. Flynn, a Texan refugee today.

"Carranza is scared to death," he continued. "He tried three times to escape from Vera Cruz, but his generals held him prisoner. In the event of war, he will escape under the pretense of taking the field."

MAY BE SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE CARRANZA'S NOTE WILL COME

(By United Press) Mexico City, July 3.—The Foreign Office today announced that it would be unable to make definite announcement as to when the reply to the latest American demands will be made. No information is available as yet as to whether the note has actually been drafted or not. It is reported that it may be several days before Carranza and his cabinet will have the note completed.

Reports of the nature of the message, which has been current for the last few days, estimated largely from unauthoritative sources.

Won't Press Carranza for Answer. Washington, July 3.—For the

NORTH CAROLINA BOYS ARE SOON TO GO TO THE BORDER

Camp Glenn, July 3.—The next contingent for the boys of the first regiment will be El Paso, Texas, it was given out here today, and this definite information put an end to numerous rumors and speculations around the camp. The route to be taken by the troops on entraining has not been definitely decided, or at least it has not been given to reporters and the time for the move-

ment is not yet known here, no arrangement for the boys of the first regiment to the effect having been received.

ARE COLLECTING FOR THE ARMENIAN FUND

Good-Sized Amount Was Raised at Presbyterian Church Yesterday. Citizens Can Also Contribute.

At the Presbyterian church yesterday, a collection was taken up for the Armenian relief fund and a good-sized amount was realized. Mr. Seagriff announced this morning that the fund was still open for contributions and all citizens who desire to contribute, may do so by calling upon him.

NEGROES ARRESTED

Gambling, Violation of Liquor Law, and a Cutting Affray Were the Offenses Committed.

Members of the colored population caused the police some extra work Saturday and Sunday.

Three men and a woman were caught in a gambling game and were arrested.

William Clarke, colored, was caught at the Norfolk Southern station Saturday afternoon with 25 pints of liquor in his possession.

Sarah Collins, of Belhaven, went for Daisy White with a razor and carved her up considerably. Daisy is in the hospital; Sarah is in jail.

EXPECT ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS AUG. 20

(By United Press) Washington, July 3.—Following a conference with President Wilson, Senator Kern today said that he expects Congress to adjourn about August 20.

FALSE ALARMS' CAUSE FIREMEN MUCH TROUBLE

Although a city ordinance has been passed, imposing a \$50 fine for the sending in of false fire alarms, the local department has been called out a number of times recently, and at all hours of the night, only to find that the alarm was sent in as a hoax and that no fire existed.

Not only have these alarms inconvenienced the men, getting them up out of bed after they had gone asleep, but they were made to risk their lives to get to the scene of the "sense of humor" of some irresponsible individual.

GAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY.

At the residence of Dr. Josh Taylor Jos. Taylor Bowers celebrated his tenth birthday. He had as his guests Master, William Fritchard, Gus and John Fowle Bowers, James, Charlie and Franklin Bowers.

BOB'S MOTHER'S BOY IS GOING to have his picture taken tomorrow at Baker's Studio.

Theory Of Hay Bill Is Wrong, Says Mr. Small

Washington, July 3.—Congressman John H. Small of North Carolina made a vigorous debate in opposition to the Hay resolution, which was passed in the House Saturday by a vote of 299 to 2 and which provides for the payment of \$50 monthly to dependents of militiamen. Mr. Small said Mr. James, the latter being of Michigan, were the only two who voted against it. The argument was as follows:

Mr. SMALL—I will come to that part of it upon another phase of this question in a moment.

This bill does not provide for the Regular Army. I know it will be said that the Regular Army is composed of men who were enlisted without the burden and expense of a family upon them. Whether that is literally true or not I do not know; but I have, and I doubt not every Member of this House has, from time to time received applications from the families of men in the Regular Army asking for their discharge because the presence of the soldier was necessary for their support. And I take it there are instances—how numerous I do not know—in the Regular Army where, if this principle is to be applied, it ought to be applied to them. The result of any such legislation as this would be the demoralization and the disorganization of the Regular Army.

Some weeks ago we passed a bill increasing the Regular Army by 20,000 men, calling for volunteers to enlist. It has been stated, and I presume authoritatively, that up to this time less than 12,000 of the 20,000 men asked for have enlisted, although strenuous efforts have been made to secure them. Why was it I have not the time or the inclination to go into the reasons for it, but I do insist that such a legislation as this will not have a tendency to create a disposition upon the part of our citizens to enlist in the Regular Army, and that it will increase many fold the difficulties of securing sufficient enlistments to make up the larger Army which has been authorized in the national defense act. This bill does not provide for volunteers. Gentlemen may say, "If volunteers are necessary, we will meet that question when we reach it," but I contend that it ought to be reached now, that this is the time to perfect such legislation as will be applicable to every phase of this necessity which is said to exist, and which undoubtedly in time of war will exist.

Mr. MEEKER—Will the gentleman say that the amount named in this bill is sufficient for the purpose?

Mr. SMALL—I will endeavor to answer the gentleman directly. Further, this bill does not provide for the family of a soldier, killed in action. We are seeking here to provide support for families—

Mr. HAY—Does the gentleman want an answer to that?

Mr. SMALL—I will yield.

Mr. HAY—The reason it was increased was because after making careful inquiry the committee thought that this \$2,000,000 would be amply sufficient until the meeting of the next session of Congress.

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U. S. HAS 21,000,000 MEN WHO ARE ABLE TO JOIN THE ARMY

(By United Press) Washington, July 3.—There are twenty-one million able-bodied men, between the ages of 15 and 45 in the United States, according to a special census report as to the nation's resources for men of military fitness. This report is based on the 1910 census, with an estimated 10 per cent increase.

Of the nineteen-odd millions in 1910, fourteen million were native-born whites and two million were native-born colored.

guards west of Kerind were driven off. Our troops, passing through Kerind, pursued the Russians in the direction of Kermanshah.

"Caucasus Front—In the center, in patrol fighting, we took some prisoners. On the left wing our troops captured some positions while our artillery successfully bombarded a Russian camp."

GENERAL OFFENSIVE HAS BEEN BEGUN BY THE ALLIES

LOSSES GERMANS ARE REPORTED AS 20,000 DURING THE FIRST THIRTY-SIX HOURS OF FIGHTING IS GREATEST BATTLE IN HISTORY

(By United Press) London, July 3.—Under a glaring July sun, the allied armies are today pushing across rolling farmlands in the Somme region into what is rapidly developing into the greatest battle in history. The fighting is growing more intense with the arrival of heavy German reserves and threatens to extend along the entire 110-mile front, from Somme to the sea.

called the Berlin statement of Saturday, to the effect that the British might deliver their most powerful stroke further north in Flanders while the French and British to the south continue their gigantic offensive toward Peronne and Cambrie, Lille railway centers.

The British artillery has been pounding the German Flanders line for forty-eight hours. The sound of ship guns leads to the belief that British monitors are off the Flanders coast, assisting the land forces. This startling information has re-

The German losses for the first thirty-six hours are set at 20,000. The offensive has now developed into a huge rolling movement, south of Somme. The French are within five miles of Peronne.

GERMANS ARE DRIVEN BACK BY FIERCE ATTACKS OF FRENCH

(By United Press) Paris, July 3.—In a dashing and brilliant night attack, the Germans were thrown back on both sides. The French have captured Harcourt, within five miles of the strategic town of Peronne.

participated in the defense of the positions and thirty-one of these sustained frightful losses. They were completely disorganized. Most of the German prisoners were exceedingly young. Some of them could not have been more than fourteen or fifteen years of age.

HETTY GREEN DIED TODAY

New York, July 3.—Hetty Green, world's richest woman, died today. She was 83 years of age.

APPOINT WOOD TO COMMAND AT BORDER

(By United Press) Washington, July 3.—The War Department announced today that the Southern department would be divided into three sections, under the respective commands of Major-General Funston, Major-General Bell and Brigadier-General Pershing. It is believed that the adjustment is being made preliminary to appointing Major-General Leonard Wood, now commanding the eastern department, to supreme command of the border.

SHOOT HELD FRIDAY

Hodges and Maxwell Led the Field in Interesting Contest Held by Local Club.

An interesting shoot was held at the gun club grounds Friday afternoon. The following scores were made:

Names	Brdrs	Killed	Avge.
Hodges	25	23	.92
Maxwell	25	23	.92
Kear	25	22	.88
Etheridge	25	22	.88
Cowell	25	19	.76
Gray	25	18	.72

PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW

8 a. m. to 10 a. m.—Cars leave Washington for Washington Park, where big picnic is to be held.
10 a. m. to 12 m.—Games and athletic events.
1 p. m. to 2 p. m.—Lunch served on the grounds.
2 to 5 p. m.—Athletic events.
The gun club will hold two shoots at their grounds tomorrow. The first shoot will start at 9:30 a. m., 50 target event. Second shoot in the afternoon, 2:30.
Ball game with Aurora at the New Park in the afternoon, beginning at 4 o'clock.

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TURKS CLAIM TO HAVE ROUTED THE RUSSIANS

Constantinople, July 3.—War office statement regarding operations in Persia, issued today, says: "Russian forces which retreated east of Serail could not withstand their position near Kerind, owing to our vigorous pursuit. Russian re-

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