

VILLA IS MAKING EFFORT TO UNITE MEXICAN FORCES.

Washington Officially Notified of the Acquiescence of Carranza's Note to Carranza.

Proposes to Carranza to Take Wilson's Note Under Consideration and Agree on Government.

Washington, June 15.—The United States was formally notified today by General Villa on behalf of the Mexican convention forces that he had telegraphed General Carranza urging a conference for the restoration of peace and constitutional government in Mexico.

This step is the first tangible development resulting from President Wilson's recent warning to all Mexican factions that unless they came to an agreement among themselves soon, some other means would be employed by the United States to relieve the suffering population from further devastations of the military element.

On General Carranza's reply depends the next move in the situation. Coincidentally the State Department was advised by Miss Mabel Boardman of the American Red Cross that the Mexican authorities at Piedras Negras had denied entry to a carload of foodstuff consigned for the relief of people in Monclova.

Consul Blocker is endeavoring to use his good offices to arrange for the transportation of the supplies and until he reports the details the State Department will take no further action. The announcement that General Villa had initiated a movement for peace was received with satisfaction in official quarters.

Enrique C. Llorente, Washington representative of the Villa-Zapata coalition called on Secretary Lansing with a copy of the Villa telegram to Carranza and a note from General Villa replying to President Wilson's recent pronouncement of policy.

The note referred appreciatively to the President's efforts and outlined the purposes of the Villa-Zapata leaders to bring about a reconciliation with the Carranzistas. In the message to Carranza, dated June 11, stress is laid upon President Wilson's warning that the United States would be "obliged to decide on other methods should a coalition of the factions prove futile."

General Villa says: "In our opinion, this declaration involves two perils, which may frustrate the ends of the revolution and imperil our sovereignty. First the Cientificos with any other group, might again enthrone themselves with American assistance. Second, should the people not submit to this the American Government might have recourse to armed intervention.

In the face of these two imminent dangers, and without recognizing the right of the American Government to intervene in our affairs, we think that we should seek means that would permit the reunion and reorganization of the Constitutional party, even though it be indispensable to make sacrifices of self-esteem.

We believe also that this is what patriotism and the future welfare of our country require of us. "In such sense, we propose to you that we take under consideration President Wilson's note and that if you are so disposed, as we ourselves are, you advise us that we may discuss and agree at once upon the form and terms of procedure in the re-organization of the National constitutional government.

We have already placed ourselves in touch with the chief of the convention government as well as with the commanding general of the army of the South." The telegram was signed by General Villa and Mr. Diaz Lombardo, in charge of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Convention Government. In the memorandum filed at the State Department General Villa sums up with the following:

"We of the Convention Government have not been animated by ambitions for power, nor do we desire in any case to obtain it by means other than by the free vote of the Mexican people. But inasmuch as the desire to consult the country relative to the restoration of a legal regime, with constitutional sanction, is accepted by the Carranza faction, we are disposed in the light of possible intervention in our National problems by a foreign Power, to again invite all those Mexicans to unite and collaborate with us in the work of realizing the principles of the revolution especially the agrarian question, and the development of instruction for the masses; and we only expect from this invitation those who, according to the words of President Wilson have ignored the Constitution of the Republic and employed their power against the interests of the people."

General Villa admits the contention that there is no recognized authority throughout the country. He refers, however, to a message to him from Du Val West, President Wilson's representative, stating "it gives me pleasure to inform you of the magnificent impression which the tranquility and order which I have observed everywhere. I have been, has made on me."

He also quotes from a message of Sir Cecil Arthur Spring-Rice, British Ambassador to the United States, to a representative in northern Mexico expressing gratification to the Villa Government for "prompt action in protecting British interests."

A PUZZLED PARENT.

Polly, the washerwoman, was deep in a discussion of her family's shortcomings, according to the Louisville Times.

"Mah family suttingly do hab some shawt-comings," she declared. "Fur instance; Mah son Jawge er jes' lak a grasshoppah."

"My goodness!" gasped the mistress. "How, Polly?"

"Well buhcawse only two things in do whole worl' worries him: He worries dat he has to wake up to eat, an' den he worries dat he hab to stop eatin' to go to sleep. Ah suttingly down dahastan' dat boy."

"But how do you conclude that he is like a grasshopper?" queried the perplexed mistress.

"Jes' buhcawse he er de most mis-undahstandable creature dat Ah kin think of, dat's why," he answered.

THE RIGHT AGE.

Bert Willis is a very nervous fidgety young man, says Harper's Magazine. While traveling on a train one day he chanced to be seated next to a woman who held a baby.

The infant's face was covered with a thick veil and every now and then it would utter a sharp cry, which the woman endeavored to suppress. Young Willis watched the proceedings with considerable anxiety for some time and finally, leaning over toward the woman, asked: "Has—has that baby anything contagious, madam?"

The woman turned and looked at him with an expression in which scorn and pity were blended.

"Well, 'twoudn't be for most folks, but maybe 'twould for you," she replied sharply, "he's teething."

HIS REASON.

Mrs. Owens—Mercy, John, there isn't a thing in the house fit to eat.

Owens—I know it, Kate; that's why I brought him home to dinner. I want him to see how frugally we live. He's my principal creditor.—Boston Transcript.

HER SORROW.

"Does your wife show any interest in the war?"

"Yes, indeed. She talks about it. 'What does she say?'"

"Why, she says that she wishes I could go."—Tit-Bits.

NO USE.

Here's an anecdote of the stork variety related by Robert Edison:

"Harry was an only child and the greatest desire of his heart was for a baby brother or sister. He preferred a sister and never failed to ask for one when he said his evening prayer.

"Not receiving an answer, he removed all restrictions by altering his petition to the following: 'Oh God, send us a baby; I don't care whether it's a boy or a girl, or black or white, if it's only a baby.'"

"Shortly after the Denmores, who lived next door, had an addition to their already large family. Harry's mamma, noticing that the little boy no longer prayed for a baby, said to him one day:

"Harry, why is it you don't ask God for a baby any more?"

"Oh, it's no use," he replied, "if one comes along the Denmores I'll gobble it up." August Young's Magazine.

Senator Overman was informed today that a rod engineer had been sent to Burlington to confer with the county road officials as to macadam road building between Burlington and Elon College.

Bill Sulzer boasts that he holds New York in the hollow of his hand. Some, hollow, that; but not to be compared with the hollow in Bill's head.

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THE JITNEY BUS. She was all feathers and fuss, So fluffy that no one dare muss; The sporty guy's name was Gus; She wanted a jitney bus, He held up his hand in the air, In an instant a jitney was there, And then from the edge of the curb He helped in the maiden superb.

CHORUS. Oh, they rode in a jitney bus, Though she was all feathers and fuss, There was nothing slow about Gus, As they rode in a jitney bus.

She turned to him with a smile, He gave her a smile in return, By that time they'd traveled a mile, And he for a sweet kiss did yearn, The auto ran over a stone, Then into his arms she was thrown, And a sweet jitney bus was his own, While she never uttered a moan.

CHORUS. Oh they rode in a jitney bus, Though she was all feathers and fuss, The chauffeur was smiling, the cuss, For she got more than one jitney bus. Howard S. But.

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