

Lansing Tells Arredondo the United States' Patience Will Not Stretch for Further D'lay

CARRANZA MUST INFORM GOVERNMENT AT ONCE AS TO HIS ATTITUDE; IT IS BELIEVED REPLY WILL BE OF PACIFICATORY NATURE

To Be Received by Washington Today, According to Mexico City Report—De Facto Capital Expects Peaceful Settlement—Messages to Come Through Ambassador to This Country Instead of Rogers, Thought—Lansing Talks Frankly to Mexican Representative—Army Officers Glad to Get Time to Better Prepare for War They Consider Inevitable—No Move to Dismiss Any of the Troops Mobilized

(By Carl Groat)

Washington, June 30.—Secretary Lansing today asked Mexican Ambassador Arredondo to speed up Carranza's reply to the American note. Lansing told Arredondo frankly that the patience of this government in the matter is almost exhausted.

He pointed out that this government originally asked for an "immediate" answer, whereas several days have elapsed and all the government has had is "expectation" from Consul Rodgers as to its early delivery. Lansing believed this forenoon that he would get the reply from Arredondo. The latter visited him without it, but indications following the conference were that Carranza will send the answer through Arredondo.

Mexico City Sees No Danger of War. Mexico City, June 30.—The foreign office has practically completed its reply to the last American note. It may be published in a few hours. It is generally believed by most officials here that there will be no war. This is being strengthened by Trevino's report of Pershing's evacuation of Namiquipa. The public does not yet know of the Chihuahua prisoners' release.

Army Welcomes "Delay." San Antonio, June 30.—Army officers welcome the delay occasioned by further Carranza negotiations. They said today that the longer the governments mark time the better the American forces can be prepared in the event of hostilities, while Mexico will enjoy no corresponding benefit.

A few more days will see the distribution of several thousand guardsmen along the border, releasing 35,000 regulars for active service. Also, the delay permits the concentration of large supplies of foodstuffs and munitions, mobilization of transport facilities, and rehabilitation of the aviation corps.

The department quartermaster will open bids tomorrow for 180,000 pounds of beans, 180,000 cans of tomatoes, 80,000 pounds of coffee, 480,000 pounds of sugar, 80,000 pounds of rice, 45,000 pounds of prunes, 20,000 pounds of evaporated peaches, 56,000 cans of jam, 60,000 tins of tobacco and 100,000 pounds of salt. Animal forage will cost \$97,000 monthly, gasoline, \$45,000, and officers and men on the payroll will draw \$1,800,000 monthly. The arrival of the militia will greatly increase this.

GUN CLUBS WILL MAKE FOURTH BIGGEST DAY

Nearly every gun club in this section of North Carolina will celebrate the Fourth of July with special matches. Every member of the local club is expected to turn out for the biggest event of the year in Parrott's park. Washington, Greenville, New Bern and Tarboro shooters and gunners in other places will compete for prizes, it is expected.

VIRGINIA MILITARY INST. MAN SERVING

Washington, N. C., June 30.—A. T. Barr of this city has joined the Second Infantry as a second lieutenant. He is attached to Co. A., from Tarboro. He is a V. M. I. graduate.

NEGRO SCALDED AT A NEW BERN LUMBER MILL

New Bern, June 30.—P. L. Blackwood, a negro employe at a lumber plant, is in a serious condition as a result of falling into a hole filled with scalding water at the mill.

CAPTAIN LAUSCHER IS FREED BY JURY

(By the United Press) New York, June 30.—Capt. Hans Lauscher, Gadsdi's husband, was found not guilty of conspiring to inaugurate a military movement against Canada and wreck the Welland canal when the jury brought in its verdict today.

A. L. BROOKS STATE BAR ASSOCIATION'S PREST. COMING YEAR

(Special to The Free Press) Wrightsville Beach, June 30.—The eighteenth annual convention of the North Carolina Bar Association came to a close late yesterday. Judge W. M. Bond, Chief Justice Walter Clark and other speakers were on the program. Officers were elected as follows: President, A. L. Brooks, Greensboro; First Vice-President, H. L. Lyon, Whiteville; Second Vice-President, Henry Parker, Asheville; Third Vice-President, E. L. Gaither, Mocksville; Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas W. Davis, Wilmington, re-elected.

PEACH TREE BORER IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST NUISANCES TO PLANTER

(By S. SZYMONIAK, N. C. Experiment Station)

The peach tree borer causes more complaint from fruit growers than any other insect, except possibly the San Jose scale. This is due to the destructiveness of the insect and the tedious methods of controlling it.

The female moth lays about 500 to 800 eggs in a season, beginning about the middle of August and extending to the middle of September. The egg is usually laid on the bark of the tree, close to the roots, and surface of the ground, but in some cases may be placed higher up, near the main branches. In about ten days the borer, worm, or larva begins to develop and to crawl about the base of the tree, where it may find a small opening or crack in the bark, through which it eats into the inner tissues and down into the roots. Several borers may infest a single tree. The presence of borers is usually indicated by the presence of a gummy substance at the base, or places where the borer has caused injury. The insect eats and tunnels its way in the cambium layer and softer tissues of the main roots. If several borers attack the tree at the same time, the tree may be killed in one season.

The borer is full fed and grown about the middle of June, but some may develop sooner. The full-grown worm crawls out of the tree and imbeds itself in the soil, where it pupates and finally develops into a moth, which resembles a mud-dauber wasp and flies in the daytime.

The best way to control the borer is to protect the tree at the proper time, and to dig out the borers before they do any damage. This is best done by mounding the dirt up around the base of the tree 8 to 12 inches during the summer. The mound should be made substantial enough to prevent the rain from washing it away. It would be advisable to put a coat of lime-sulphur solution or whitewash on the trunk of the tree and then make the mound. In October and November the mound should be removed, and if any gummy substances noticed it should be cleaned off and the tree examined for borers. These should be taken out with a wire or sharp-pointed knife. The best orchardists go over the trees in October or November and again in March or April. By mounding the trees in the summer time and digging the worms out in the late fall and early spring the borers may be controlled.

There are patent paints and preparations on the market, but none of them have proven to be successful. If the mounding and worming is done at the proper time, it will involve less labor and the trees will not be mutilated by cutting into the tissues to get the borer, and the maximum results at the least expenditure of money will be obtained.

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE FT. BARNEWELL SECTION

Fort Barnwell, June 30.—The fine weather is prospering crops wonderfully. Miss Viola Gaskins of Ayden is the guest of Miss Jane Bryant. Miss Myrtle E. Rhodes of New Bern is visiting friends here. Mr. J. W. Lane is recuperating from a severe illness. It was said at his home today that he expected to be out soon. Quite a crowd from here went to Lane's chapel Saturday to attend a picnic. Quite a crowd of young folks were entertained at Mr. Henry Sermon's home Saturday night. The guests were Miss Nannie Wilcox, Frank Joyner, Miss M. Sauls, C. Skinner, Eddie Sermons, Roy Skinner, Miss Mabelle Sauls, Joe Kilpatrick, Miss Nancy Marsh, Cicero Brinkly, and Simpson Biddle.

MEDICAL INSPECTION ASKS PRESIDENT TO MAKE EFFORT SAVE LIFE OF CASEMENT

Hustle and Bustle Continues; Health Conditions Very Good, Stated

SOON WILL BE LEAVING

Kinston Lads Lose Identity in Mass of Khaki-clad Tar Heels — "Doc" Taylor Promises to "Protect" Free Press

(Special to The Free Press)

Camp Glenn, N. C., June 30.—They are examining us—the Second Infantry.

Some of us are going back home. The work doesn't slacken. Most everything else does. My belt is getting slacker 'n slacker. That's all right, though. It's not for lack of chow; just the change, etc. However, the air's good. Besides, I'm used to this.

Get a bit of dope of interest to Kinston? How can I! They lose their identity down here. But, oh, yes,—listen: B company is trying to locate one Harry Paul. Alas, mothers of Kinston, muster in your ministerial association and Y. M. C. A. They want Paul to go to the war with them. He's admittedly a tough nut. He is the only man ever known to get brandy out of the regimental infirmary without being on the sick list, and he's been known to start a week an abject object of poverty and give a boat party with a staff of Morehead City boatmen on Saturday night. Over in my company they won't have him. The camp guards shadow him. But your sons are young and innocent.

Morehead City is preparing to give the colonist community a rebate on the Fourth of July. They're figuring on having miles of soldiers. My private opinion is that they won't. It's hinted that we are even now on the verge of hiking.

We are all anxious for whatever is in store. There are not many of us willing to go to all this trouble without shooting a Mexican apiece.

Soon the cavalry will be here, according to rumor. We will be glad to have them, provided they keep in their place. The infantryman is the aristocrat of the service. He doesn't have anything to keep clean but himself and his rifle. Preference is given the latter, of course.

ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED IN THE USUAL CHARITY SENSE; DUTY OF COMMUNITY

That Kinston is not going to allow the families of the soldiers who have been called to the colors to suffer was made manifest Thursday night when a representative body of citizens met in the office of Secretary Fred. Sutton of the Chamber of Commerce and discussed for some two hours or more ways and means for caring for the emergency.

A steering committee of five was appointed to take charge of the matter, to call to their assistance others, men or women, to investigate and determine the needs and worthiness of the applicants or those to whom assistance is to be given. The steering committee is composed of Messrs. E. G. Barrett, D. F. Wooten, E. V. Webb, C. F. Harvey and J. H. Canady. This committee met this morning and appointed their assistants and a full meeting is being held this afternoon to formulate plans. These will be announced and active work begun to relieve the suffering which is reported to already exist among some of the families.

ASKS PRESIDENT TO MAKE EFFORT SAVE LIFE OF CASEMENT

(By the United Press) Washington, June 30.—A request that President Wilson intervene to save the life of Sir Roger Casement was made in a resolution introduced today by Senator Martine of New Jersey. The resolution was referred to the Foreign Relations Committee, where Chairman Stone promised consideration at the next meeting.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press) GERMANY REALIZES SITUATION.

Berlin, June 30.—Berlin is convinced that the Allies are in the early stages of a great offensive, following a new offensive at Isonzo, of steadily increasing violence, and the British artillery action in Flanders.

DELIVER UP AMERICANS' HORSES, ETC.

Washington, June 30.—Horses and equipment belonging to the American prisoners from Chihuahua will be turned over to the American authorities at El Paso today, General Bell reported to the War Department.

If there's any sickness here I don't know of it. There's not apt to be any sickness. The truth of the matter is that a lot of these lads should be taken away from their mamas and be taught to live right. There's many a good woman who's asked, "What will become of our boy if he gets sick?" Now, ma'am, don't worry, because William couldn't get better attention anywhere in the world. It is a wonder to me how these hospital sergeants and stewards can be so effeminate at times and so profane at other times.

No fellow in the Second will be responsible for anything that he does today. The M. Ds. have them hustling. The last draft of the First regiment's back-home brigade trotted tearfully off last night. Some of ours will be entraining late today or tomorrow.

Lt. J. O. H. Taylor of B company says he has promised to wire The Free Press the moment the Second crosses the border.

There's a big fellow in the company who is an object of some curiosity. Nice, likely-looking lad, but he is so big they all sidestep out of his path. He is so large they're thinking of issuing the company ration for "one man extra."

GERMANS BEGIN NEW OFFENSIVE DIVERT SLAVS IN GALICIA

Attacking Kuropatkin's Lines All the Way From Riga to Dvinsk

RUSSIANS OCCUPY KOLEMA

According to Paris Newspaper Report—Teutons In West Shift Attack to Another Point—Make No Gain, Paris Says

(By the United Press)

Petrograd, June 30.—The Germans have begun a series of sudden violent attacks against General Kuropatkin's entire front from Riga to Dvinsk. It is believed Von Hindenburg is launching a new offensive to divert the Russians from the Galician front.

RUSSIANS TAKE KOLEMA, REPORTED.

Paris, June 30.—The Germans have shifted their attack to the west bank of the Meuse between Avoncourt and Hill 304, but all assaults have been repulsed. The newspaper Echo de Paris today declared the Russians have captured the important railway city of Kolema.

ITALY CALLS UP MORE RESERVES.

Rome, June 30.—Fulfilling a promise of more vigorous prosecution of the war, the new ministry today called the classes between 1882 and 1895 to the colors and third category classes of 1882 and 1883. These add large forces to the Italian armies. The public is aroused to the highest pitch of enthusiasm by the recent victories in the latest Italian offensive.

JUNIORS ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Lenoir Council No. 78, Jr. Order U. A. M. elected the following officers Thursday night for the ensuing year: Councilor, N. B. Ward; Vice-Councilor, L. O. Hollingsworth; Chaplain, Lonnie Buck; Recording Secretary, H. D. Dupree; Financial Secretary, G. O. Brown; Warden, Isaac Brown; Conductor, W. M. Happer; Assistant Recording Secretary, Vance Jackson; Treasurer, A. F. Haskins; Inside Sentinel, N. C. Smith; Outside Sentinel, M. L. Broadway; Trustee, D. F. Wooten; Delegates to the State Council, Marion Haskins, Horace Dupree and J. R. Weeks.

DR. PARROTT NAMED TO COMMITTEE THAT WILL EXAMINE M. D.S.

Dr. J. M. Parrott has been appointed a member of the North Carolina examining board for surgeons applying for positions in the Federal Medical Reserve. He is expected to accept. The Government is building up a large corps of medics who would be available as surgeons in the event of war.

Dr. Parrott was a surgeon attached to Gen. Joe Wheeler's brigade in Cuba in '98. That brigade was comprised by the Ninth and Tenth cavalries—it was troops from the Tenth who were massacred at Carrizal—and a New York regiment.

BLACK TRIED SELL MILITIAMEN WATER

New Bern, June 30.—Noah Council, colored, who it is alleged, tried to sell colored water for whisky to soldiers, was arrested here late Wednesday by Norfolk Southern and police officers.

HUGHES AND TAFT HOLD PEACE MEETING

Bridgehampton, N. R., June 30.—Hughes and Taft held a two-hour campaign conference today and healed the wounds of the Taft-Roosevelt breach.

GREENSBORO HORSES PULLED DOWN MOST MONEY THURSDAY

Ave Em Bee, Franklin R. and Farm Boy, Gate City Animals, Won Three of Four Events—Long Program on Local Track

Fifteen hundred people—a comparatively small crowd for such an unusual event—who witnessed the program at the Fair Grounds under the auspices of the Matinee Association Thursday afternoon saw some of the most interesting races ever pulled off in Eastern Carolina. Scores of other towns were represented. Nearly a dozen places sent horses to compete. Animals were brought from the western part of the State. Still the grandstand was not nearly filled.

There were thrilling finishes to several heats. Occasionally the judges were compelled to level their eyes along the wire when the horses completing the mile approached the stand neck and neck. The races began at 1:30 and lasted until about 6 o'clock. The following results were announced:

2:23 Trot—First money to Hannah, Smith & Dail, Greenville, with second, third and fourth money to Ben. Harris, R. L. Cummings of Tarboro; Rosebond, J. Daugherty of New Bern, and Virginia Boy, J. E. Chappell of Raleigh, respectively. Time, 2:23 1-4. 2:25 Pace—Farm Boy, H. N. Reaves of Greensboro, first; Cuban Burns, Bray of New Bern, second; Hazel Cox, T. A. Grantham of New Bern, third, and Homer J., Meadows & Guion of New Bern, fourth. Time, 2:24 1-4.

Free-for-All—Ave Em Bee, Reaves of Greensboro; Tom Boy, Reaves; Guardinini, J. S. Causey of Ayden, and Jennie Blue, Kelsey of Kinston, agent, first to fourth in order. Time, 2:19 1-4.

2:30 Trot—First to fourth money in order: Franklin R. Reaves; Baby Wingate, Jeff Wingate of Ayden; Red Juno, Reaves; Minnie, M. F. Moneyham of Raleigh. Time, 2:29 1-4. The judges were Ben. Southerland of Mount Olive, Ben. Hurst of New Bern and Joe Parker of Farmville. The purses hung up aggregated about \$750.

CURING TOBACCO IN CHOCOWINITY SECTION

Greenville, N. C., June 30.—John Vincent, of this city, reports having seen a barnfull of tobacco being cured in the Chocowinity section, the first of the tobacco season, probably. The heat had already been applied. The crop locally seems to be slightly off from last year's production, although in the belt generally there is about an average crop. The markets in the East Carolina bright leaf belt will open for the sales season in about six or seven weeks.

SAY HYDE WILL BE THE STATE'S BEST COUNTY

Washington, N. C., June 30.—F. B. Alligood of this city yesterday exhibited four Irish potatoes grown on the plantation of W. W. Watson at Lake Landing, Hyde county, which aggregated in weight four and a quarter pounds. Watson's potato crop averaged 90 barrels to the acre. Local agriculturalists declare that with the reclaiming of 50,000 acres by the draining of Mattamuskeet Lake, now in progress, and the construction of a railroad to haul off the produce, Hyde county will become easily the banner farming county of the South Atlantic States.

FOUR VILLISTAS ARE HANGED IN MEXICO

Deming, N. M., June 30.—Four Villistas who participated in the Columbus raid were hanged in jail here today. They faced death calmly in pairs.