

WILL GUARD BORDER

TO REDISTRIBUTE TROOPS AND CONTINUE POLICING OF NORTHERN MEXICO.

VILLA CHASE AT STANDSTILL

American Operations to Be Continued Pending Carranza's Ability to Cope with the Situation in the Outlaw District.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington, D. C.—Behind the formal announcement that President Wilson had approved a plan for redistribution of the American troops in Mexico, there was a plain intimation that the Washington government has determined to maintain a military status quo beyond the border until the Mexican de facto government has demonstrated its ability to capture or crush Villa and his adherents and prevent repetitions of the Columbus raid.

In the interim it is understood the American troops will be so placed as to safeguard the border towns by virtually policing the area south of the line where Gen. Carranza has been heretofore unable to check bandit operations.

Secretary Baker announced the approval of the redistribution plan after consulting with the president over a joint report submitted by Maj. Gen. Funston and Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff, in conference on the border. The plan was proposed by Gen. Funston and concurred in by Gen. Scott.

Reliable reports that an anti-American sentiment is growing rapidly south of the border has been received at headquarters and no secret is made that credence is placed in these reports.

Lopez, Villa Aid, Taken. El Paso, Tex.—Pablo Lopez, Villa lieutenant, who is responsible for the murder of seventeen Americans at Santa Isabel, and who was shot through both legs in the raid on Columbus, N. M., has been captured by Carranzistas near the scene of his crime, according to information received by Gen. Gaviira.

SHIPS COLLIDE, 1,000 DROWN

Soldiers and Crew of Chinese Steamer Victims—Only Thirty Escape.

Shanghai.—More than a thousand soldiers and men of the crew of the steamer Hsin Yu were lost when the steamer sank after a collision with the cruiser Hai Yung Saturday evening south of the Chuan Islands.

The steamer acting as a transport was standing trips to Foo Chow. The collision occurred during a thick fog and only one foreign engineer, twenty soldiers and nine sailors out of six foreigners and over a thousand soldiers and members of the crew were saved.

The Hsin Yu was a vessel of 1,623 tons. She was built in 1888 and was owned by the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company of Shanghai.

U. P. Bandit Taken.

Rawlins, Wyo.—William L. Carlisle professional train robber, is in jail here. Carlisle, who says that is not his real name, was captured in a desert country, twenty miles north of Walcott, by a posse. He surrendered without a fight. The bandit, who declared that he "liked the sport of holding up trains, and that he wanted to get the best of the police and railroads," boasted that he robbed the Union Pacific Overland limited near Rock Springs, Wyo., February 9, and another train of the same road near Corlett Junction, April 14, in addition to the Union Pacific limited No. 21, near Hanna, Wyo., April 21.

Sole Heir to Big Fortune.

Omaha, Neb.—Eber Smith, traveling salesman of this city, has received notification from San Bernardino, Cal., that he was named sole heir to the estate of Thomas Simpson, a California rancher, who died a short time ago. The estate is valued at \$500,000. Two years ago, it is said, Smith saved Simpson's life when a forest fire was sweeping upon his California ranch house.

Senate O. K.'s House Bill.

Washington, D. C.—April 22 the senate approved the house bill repealing the free sugar section of the tariff law under which sugar would have gone on the free list May 1. By a vote of 59 to 10 the senate receded from an amendment which it had passed extending the existing duty of 1 cent a pound for four years, and which the house refused to agree to in conference.

Postmasters Nominated.

Washington.—Robert F. Wagner was nominated by President Wilson for postmaster of New York and Dixon C. Williams received the nomination for Chicago. Mr. Wagner is a state senator and known as one of the Tammany leaders. Mr. Williams is a close friend of Postmaster General Burleson.

Orders to Pacific Fleet.

Vallejo, Cal.—The Pacific fleet, as well as the Atlantic fleet, is to be overhauled, according to orders received from the navy department. Nearly all of the vessels of the Pacific fleet have been ordered to the Mare Island navy yard, where they are to dock as fast as they arrive.

Courts Set 110 Notes.

Washington, D. C.—Circuit Court No. 2 of the federal reserve bank of New York are in circulation in New York city, the treasury announces.

Important News Events of the World Summarized

Mexican Revolt

Major General Scott arrived at San Antonio to confer with General Funston on the Mexican situation.

Confirmation of reports that Carranza troops are being mobilized in the path of General Pershing's forces was received at both the state and war departments at Washington.

Two hundred Carranza troops en route to Torreon from Saltillo were killed when their train was attacked by Villa bandits of General Canute Reyes' command.

A representative of the state department telegraphed the department in Washington information that Francisco Villa, hunted bandit leader, passed through Troya, 25 miles east of Parral, on April 10, two days before the engagement between American troops and Mexicans at Parral.

General Gaviira, commander of the Juarez garrison, received a message from General Gutierrez, military commander of Chihuahua, stating that fifteen civilians concerned in a Villa plot to seize the Chihuahua garrison were executed.

European War News

A Lloyd's dispatch to London from Ymuiden, Holland, says the Dutch steamship Lodewik Van Nassau was sunk. It went down in six minutes. Five of its crew were drowned. Thirty-six survivors have been landed at Ymuiden.

The war office at Constantinople issued an explanation of the evacuation of Trebizond, declaring that numerically superior forces compelled withdrawal to a new line of defense previously agreed upon.

The Lake Carriers' association notified the department of commerce at Washington it has information that the Canadian government in the future will examine all ships on the great lakes touching Canadian ports and remove sailors of belligerent nations.

It was announced at Berlin that at Ypres German troops have penetrated English trenches, while at Langemark English positions on a front of 600 yards have been captured. One hundred and eight men and two machine guns were captured.

The official communique issued at Paris announced that a successful French attack was carried out in the region of Vaux. The assaulting force captured a redoubt and some trenches northeast of Verdun. Two hundred German prisoners were taken by the French.

The British admiralty announced at London that 49 lives were lost when the British steamship Zent was sunk without warning by a German submarine on April 5.

Domestic

Theodore Roosevelt, according to present plans, will speak at Kansas City on Memorial day, one week before the Progressive and Republican conventions convene at Chicago. The colonel received a formal invitation at Oyster Bay, L. I., from business organizations of Kansas City.

A lone sandit held up a passenger train on the Louisiana, Red River & Navigation railroad near Angola, La., shot the express messenger and escaped with money and jewelry valued at several thousands of dollars.

Fire which started in the Iowa Union, formerly St. James hotel, a rooming place for university students at Iowa City, Ia., caused property loss of \$350,000.

The six Villa bandits placed on trial at Deming, N. M., charged with killing Charles D. Miller in the Columbus raid were found guilty of murder in the first degree. The jury was out thirty minutes.

Typhus germs have been found in the blood of Mrs. Arthur Warren Waite, wife of the dentist awaiting trial in New York for the murder of his father-in-law, John K. Peck of Grand Rapids, Mich.

Orders to speed up, repair and overhaul work on vessels of the Atlantic fleet have been sent from Washington to the commandants of the various navy yards by Secretary Daniels. The move was explained as a "preparatory test."

J. R. Stratton, for 25 years a member of the Canadian parliament, died at Hot Springs, Ark., after 36 days of fasting, and his physician, Prof. H. Feigels, is under arrest on a charge of manslaughter.

Six striking employees of the National Cable and Conduit company were injured in clashes with New York state troops sent to Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y., to protect the plant and preserve order.

Former United States Judge Walter C. Hayes and Alfred E. Marling were appointed receivers for the American Real Estate company, a Rhode Island corporation with offices at 525 Fifth avenue, New York.

Seventy persons are dead and scores injured in a succession of tornadoes which swept through the central parts of eastern Kansas and western Missouri. Property damage is reported.

Washington

President Wilson was asked by Viscount Suteimi Chinda, the Japanese ambassador, to have the phraseology of the Burnett immigration bill, now before the senate immigration committee at Washington, changed so that the apparent coupling of the Japanese people with those of Hindu nationality would be eliminated.

The German government has agreed to permit exportation to the United States of 15,000 tons of dyestuffs. Notification to this effect was contained in a note delivered by Count von Bernstorff to Secretary Lansing.

According to authentic information reaching Washington, Great Britain and France, in their joint note replying to the American protest against interference with neutral trade, make no attempt to dispute principles contended for by the United States, but insist that those principles have been given legal interpretation and application by the allies in their blockade of Germany and Austria.

Honduras cattle growers, long barred from American markets by the presence of the cattle tick, are treating their herds and will begin shipments to New York soon, according to a report from Washington.

William M. Ingraham, former mayor of Portland, Me., has been selected by President Wilson at Washington for assistant secretary of war. Mr. Ingraham will succeed Henry Brockinridge, who resigned with former Secretary Garrison.

Sharply indicting Germany for its use of submarines against merchant vessels, President Wilson, before a joint session of congress held in the house at Washington, issued public notice to the world that unless the German government changes its methods the United States will have no choice but to sever diplomatic relations.

The United States note to Germany, demanding an immediate cessation of submarine attack on unarmed passenger and freight vessels, given out by the state department at Washington simultaneously with its receipt in Berlin, is regarded generally in the nature of an ultimatum. The note demands that the German government immediately declare and effect an abatement of its present methods of submarine warfare.

John Harrison Surratt, survivor of the corps of alleged conspirators tried for implication in the plot to assassinate Abraham Lincoln, died at Baltimore, Md. He was seventy-two years old. He was acquitted at his trial.

Col. Charles Cummins Horton, seventy-seven, widely known in Iowa and for nineteen years commandant of the Iowa Soldiers' home, died at Marshall town, Ia.

George Richardson, "Iron major," who was in command at Nashville, Tenn., after the capture of that city by federal forces during the Civil war, died at his summer home near Kalamazoo, Mich.

Baron Kolmar von der Goltz, commander in chief of the first Turkish army, died of spotted fever at the headquarters of his Turkish army, according to an official announcement received at Amsterdam from Berlin. He had been ill ten days. Field Marshal von der Goltz was regarded as one of Germany's greatest strategists. He was seventy-two years old.

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NEWS OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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Robbers broke into James Fitzgerald's drug store at Miller and took a number of valuable articles.

Reuben Snyder, aged 65, a man of family of Miller, ended his life by shooting himself in the head.

Claire City will have a new school house this season. Preliminary arrangements, including the voting of bonds, have been made.

The town of Java has voted bonds for the erection of a municipal lighting plant, and will boost for early commencement of work on same.

Mrs. W. W. Westbrook, better known as Mother Handy, who claimed to be 100 years old, but is believed to be about 90, died at Yankton last week.

As the result of a meeting held in Parker it was arranged that the town should be represented in the baseball field this season by a semi-professional team.

The Gray Construction company of Watertown has been awarded the contract for the construction of the new Clark high school building, the contract price being \$25,999.

The financial statement, issued by the postoffice at Huron for the fiscal year ending March 31, shows an increase of \$2,427.50, or 8 per cent of the total of last year's business.

Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Southern Corn Belt Tractor company, at Sioux Falls. Capital \$100,000. Incorporators, George H. Hazen, Ralph Johnson, J. P. Hoffman.

Lester Harbert, a resident of Hamson county, has been held for trial in the state circuit court on a charge of cattle stealing. There is a rumor that others were implicated.

Farmers of Brule county in the immediate vicinity of Chamberlain especially, are feeding a good supply of cattle, according to John H. Peterson. Feeding conditions in that vicinity are favorable and there is quite a lot of stock being made ready for market.

A representative of the insurance inspection bureau of Minneapolis, after thoroughly inspecting the business buildings of Summit, the water supply and the town's fire fighting apparatus, announced that he would recommend to the bureau a lower rate of insurance on Summit fire risks.

Two more bad prairie fires burned in eastern Sully county last week, both being driven by high winds, and while no buildings are reported to have been burned, a large amount of grass was burned over. Fires have been more prevalent on the east side of the river this spring than for many years.

Former House Speaker J. M. Lawson of Aberdeen spoke to a large audience at the auditorium in Pierre in favor of statewide prohibition. His address was preceded by a parade in which the children of the various Sunday schools carrying flags, and the W. C. T. U. and church and temperance workers of the city participated.

J. R. Dodge of Washington, D. C., has arrived in Perkins county to assist in carrying out the county systems of highways inaugurated by the county commissioners. Dodge is a road engineer who is sent out by the good roads bureau of the department of agriculture, and his presence assures the construction of a county system of highways on a scientific basis.

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Mathias Shoup of Highmore, while hitching up a team was kicked by one of the horses and killed. He was in his 72d year. He was a pioneer in Hyde county and settled there in April, 1882. There is only one person who has been there longer than Mr. Shoup. His brother came from Meno, Mo., and took the body back to the old home for burial. Mr. Shoup was never married. He was respected by all who knew him. He had made his home with W. L. Thompson, county treasurer, for eighteen years.

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LANDS IN DEMAND

TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM SALE OF SCHOOL LANDS THIS SPRING IS \$1,186,913.87.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

From the Capital City, the Various State Institutions and from Many Different Parts of the Sunshine State.

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Pierre.—A million and a quarter dollars is the return from land sales by the state at the spring offerings which were completed last week. The average price received from school lands was \$51.71 per acre, and for endowment lands was \$18.59 per acre. The highest average for any county was McCook, with \$52.73 an acre, several tracts in that county bringing \$100 an acre. The lowest average on school lands was in Union county, where a small tract of sand bar sold at \$20 an acre.

Table with columns: Union, Hutchinson, Charles Mix, Douglas, McCook, Lake, Kingsbury, Brookings, Deuel, Spink, Grant, Roberts, Day, McPherson. Columns include Acres and Amount.

The sales by counties were: Union 40.00 \$ 800.00, Hutchinson 1,491.60 86,922.00, Charles Mix 1,800.00 54,060.00, Douglas 440.00 27,900.00, McCook 880.00 72,800.00, Lake 1,235.00 75,742.50, Kingsbury 2,461.21 149,803.61, Brookings 2,095.66 117,146.55, Deuel 1,036.74 43,115.00, Spink 760.00 38,200.00, Grant 2,115.81 86,116.51, Roberts 2,637.93 131,117.90, Day 6,256.22 266,150.40, McPherson 1,800.00 37,000.00.

24,951.17 \$1,186,913.87. Average for state \$51.71. The endowment land sales for the year were: Kingsbury 30.65 \$ 1,379.25, Deuel 34.40 1,548.00, Day 1,184.08 25,320.27, McPherson 2,677.68 44,756.86. Total 3,926.81 \$73,004.98. Average for state \$18.59. Total acreage of all classes sold was 28,877.98, for which the state will receive \$1,269,918.85. Besides the benefit to the schools of the state which will accrue from the interest upon this fund, there will be a lot of land placed upon the tax list for next year, for the first time. Day county especially will have a new acreage of 7,440.30 to add to local taxation.

Money for Firemen.

Organized fire companies in 176 towns of the state will receive \$26,104.30 from the foreign fire insurance companies operating within the state from the tax levied upon the premiums paid in such towns for support of the fire companies. The towns which receive over \$200 of this fund are: Aberdeen, \$1,927.02; Deadwood, \$1,050.99; Huron, \$818.59; Lead, \$769.87; Madison, \$372.94; Mitchell, \$755.55; Pierre, \$370.82; Rapid City, \$696.67; Sioux Falls, \$3,014.66; Watertown, \$802.22; Yankton, \$568.02; Chamberlain, \$219.71; Geddes, \$234.48; Groton, \$201.80; Hot Springs, \$297.52; Lemmon, \$214.69; Redfield, \$264.44; Webster, \$253.60; Vermillion, \$243.73. Other towns which receive \$100 or less than \$200 are: Arlington, Armour, Beresford, Britton, Centerville, Clark, Clear Lake, Dallas, Dell Rapids, De Smet, Edgemont, Elk Point, Eureka, Flandreau, Fort Pierre, Gregory, Ipswich, Kimball, Lake Andes, Lake Preston, Mellette, Miller, Mobridge, Milbank, Newell, Parker, Parkston, Platte, Salem, Scotland, Spearfish, Sturgis, Timber Lake, Tyndall, Tripp, Wagner, Waubay, Westington Springs, Woonsocket and Winner.

Federal Court Also Acts.

Action taken by United States District Judge James D. Elliott completes the disbarment of G. W. Egan. There is no court of law in South Dakota now in which Egan can practice his profession. Convicted by the South Dakota supreme court of dishonest, dishonorable conduct and fraud in his relations with clients, Egan was disbarred from the courts of this state on April 4. The disbarment followed a report of a board of referees, composed of prominent lawyers in whom Egan had indicated his willingness to entrust his fate, which declared him an "unfit person" to practice law. The supreme court action affected only the courts of the state. Judge Elliott's action now forbids Egan to practice in the United States courts of this district.

Penning Up the Pike.

With the state fish hatchery building at Watertown practically finished, preparations for handling the first hatch of pike eggs this spring are being completed to have everything in readiness for the spawning season which is close at hand. Besides the 25,000,000 pike eggs that will be secured from the federal government, spawn for this season's hatch will be taken from the pike in Lake Kampeka.

Names Women's Board.

Gove Byrne has appointed as members of the Woman's board of investigation of state penal and charitable institutions: Mrs. Nana E. Gilbert, a reappointment; Mrs. Cassie Hoyt of Pierre and Mrs. Mary McCaul of Platte as new members. He has appointed as delegate to the national conservation congress at Washington May 4, Senator Thomas Sterling, Senator Ed. S. Johnson, Congressman C. H. Dillon, Royal C. Johnson and Harry L. Gandy, and Samuel Herick.

Attorney May Be Disbarred.

The supreme court has issued an order calling upon H. O. Webb, of DeLand, to come into the court May 3 and show cause why an order of the court should not issue disbaring him from practice in the courts of the state.

Attorney General Caldwell Has Been Advised That