

ANOTHER NOTE LIKELY TO BE SENT GERMANY

President Declared to Have Practically Made Up Mind on This Point.

STUDIES OFFICIAL TEXT

Executive Said to Be Nettled at Course Taken by Submarine Controversy.

TENOR OF REPLY UNDECIDED

Views of Executive's Advisors Probably Will Be Sought at Meeting of the Cabinet Tomorrow.

President Wilson has virtually decided to write another note to Germany.

Though the German reply to the President's "ultimatum" pledges the imperial government to suspend illegal methods of submarine warfare, and thereby has averted an immediate break in diplomatic relations, it is regarded here as having left the whole status of the submarine issue on an uncertain and unsatisfactory basis.

What the tenor of the President's next communication to Germany will be has not yet been decided. It probably will be discussed at tomorrow's cabinet meeting.

One View of Situation.

One view is that the President should accept the substance of Germany's pledge at its face value and express gratification on the part of the United States government for the decision which the imperial government has reached.

The other view is that the President should briefly inform Berlin that the United States government has noted Germany's pledge to suspend illegal submarine operations; that this government fully expects this pledge to be carried out for reasons of "humanity," aside from all other considerations.

May Seek Explanation.

At the same time the President probably will seek explanation from the imperial government on certain points in the German note which are vague and subjected to several interpretations.

The President did not go to church yesterday morning, but remained in his study going over the official text of the German note.

The President is understood to be nettled at the turn the submarine issue has taken, though his official duty apparently now makes it mandatory for him to continue negotiating over questions which he believes should have been definitely settled long ago.

Secretary Lansing reached the White House at 9:15 and remained until 10 o'clock. Secretary McAdoo was called into conference later.

POSSE GOES AFTER RAIDERS.

Fifty Texans Leave Marathon to Pursue Mexican Bandits.

Marathon, Tex., May 7.—W. Kellie, heading a posse of fifty Texans, started from here this afternoon to pursue the Mexicans who raided Glenn Springs and Boquillas Friday night and Saturday morning.

The Mexicans are said to be camped on this side of the river between Boquillas and Boquillas Del Carmen.

Indiana Gives Allies Ambulance. Indianapolis, May 7.—Sixteen Indianapolis citizens have subscribed \$1,500 to be used in the purchase, equipment and maintenance of an American ambulance with the allied armies in France.

WOMAN REVOLT LEADER IS GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Death Penalty for Countess Markiewicz Changed by Order of English Officials.

(By the International News Service.) London, May 7.—Gen. Sir John French, commander-in-chief of the home forces, announced in an official statement today that the Countess Markiewicz had been sentenced to death but that later the sentence had been commuted to life servitude.

The official statement adds: "Death sentence was passed on Saturday on eighteen rebels, but sentence was commuted to various terms of penal servitude."

"Henry O'Harrigan was sentenced to life imprisonment, George and John Plunkett, and James Hughes were sentenced to ten years, Philip Cochrane to five years, and thirteen others to three years each. Two others were sentenced to serve one year's imprisonment at hard labor."

TWO U-BOATS SIGHTED NEAR COAST OF U. S.

New York, May 7.—Two German submarines of the latest type, conveyed by two armed artillery cruisers, are within striking distance of the American coast.

On April 23 this fleet attacked the French liner Venezia when about 700 miles southeast of Cape Race, approximately 1,500 miles from New York in a direct line.

The German fleet at that time was headed due west.

The Venezia, which escaped by skillful maneuvering, arrived here today.

Capt. Boniface declined absolutely to discuss the affair. From various men of the crew, however, the story was gradually obtained.

TO SUPPLANT "DEVIL" WITH "SIN" IN SERVICE

Saratoga, N. Y., May 7.—A proposition to eliminate the word "devil" from the service of the Methodist Episcopal Church and to substitute the word "sin" is embodied in a proposed new ritual to be presented to the general conference tomorrow for adoption.

The ritual has been revised by a special committee appointed in 1912. Other changes of form are recommended, intended to shorten the ceremonies and to bring the language up-to-date.

The proposal is also made to add a special service for the burial of children and for receiving them into the church.

HIS CONSCIENCE DRIVES ESCAPED CONVICT BACK

(By the Sun News Service.) New York, May 7.—Peter Cullen, the Mutual Welfare League, who escaped from Sing Sing prison with John Boris, a fellow-prisoner, on April 21, surrendered himself to Warden Thomas Mott Osborne at the Hotel Belmont this evening.

Accompanied by a friend whom Mr. Osborne did not know, and Harry Bolasky, who is in Mr. Osborne's employ, Cullen rode to Sing Sing in an automobile borrowed by the warden and presented himself to Dean Kirchway at the prison about 9 o'clock.

FOURTEEN PAIR WED BY SAME CEREMONY

(By the Sun News Service.) New York, May 7.—The priests of the Russian Greek Catholic Church in East Seventh street had a busy Sunday today performing marriage ceremonies and christening babies.

The record for the day was twenty-four weddings and nineteen christenings. The rush was due to the fact that it was the first Sunday after Lent on which marriages could be performed.

So many couples were waiting at one time to get married that the Rev. Nicholas Pidoroski, the pastor, and Rev. Woluck, his assistant, joined in matrimony fourteen pairs at once.

Christenings took place between weddings.

RICH WOMAN PLANTER FOUND SLAIN ON PORCH

(By the Sun News Service.) Georgetown, Ga., May 7.—Miss Julia Catchings, 66 years old, the wealthiest woman planter in Georgia, and proprietor of the most magnificent plantation in Quitman County, was murdered during last night.

Her body was found this morning on the front porch of her home.

Rich Henderson, a negro employe, has been arrested. A "health ring" worn by the negro was found clutched in the hands of the dead woman, and the coroner thinks she tore this from his hand in a struggle.

Officers Killed in Auto.

A dispatch to the War Department last night reported the deaths of Lieut. Edward E. Pritchett and Lieut. Harold F. Naylor, both of the Seventh Field Artillery, in an automobile accident at Fort Hill, Okla.

FURIOUS DRIVE NETS GAIN TO CROWN PRINCE

Most Terrific Battle of Campaign Around Verdun Started by Germans.

OUTER TRENCHES TAKEN

Tremendous Bombardment Precedes Series of Rapid Attacks by Infantry.

HEAVY LOSSES ARE SUFFERED

French Make Valiant Defense and Only Fall Back After Mowing Down Numbers of Enemy.

(By the International News Service.) London, May 7.—The Germans have seized the offensive from the hands of the French and today delivered furious attacks on the fifteen-mile front north of Verdun, winning successes on both sides of the Meuse.

On the entire fifty-mile fan-shaped front around the great fortress the crown prince has opened the most terrific battle of the campaign. The bombardment has attained a climax of violence from the Argonne to far in the West.

The gains registered today are the greatest won by the Germans in the last month, and the largest registered in twenty-four hours since the first few days of battle.

East of Hill No. 304, the dominating height west of the Meuse against which the crown prince is concentrating his entire energy in this region, the Germans today took by storm sections of the French communicating trenches.

The attack was launched after an artillery bombardment continuing two days with such violence that it changed the contour of the whole sections of lands. The German troops swept forward on a wide front, stretching from Hill No. 304 as far as Deadman Hill.

The French brought to bear a tremendous artillery and machine gun fire against the advancing ranks, inflicting heavy losses and stemming the attack on a great section of the front. Only in the sector east of hill No. 304 were the Germans able to gain a footing. The crest of this hill, which is still held by the French, is tonight reported under a terrific fire and fresh attacks are expected momentarily.

The crest commands a wide stretch of territory to the southward, reaching down to the vital supply line of the Verdun-Paris railway.

Simultaneous with the great drive west of the Meuse, the Crown Prince threw forward strong forces in a series of rapid attacks on the opposite bank of the river on the front between Haudromont farm and Fort Douaumont.

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Colored Watchman Shoots And Kills 14-Year-Old Boy

A revolver flourished carelessly resulted in the shooting and killing of Earl Bayliss, 14 years old, near Fifth and Shepard streets northwest, late yesterday. Police are holding Calvin Chase, a colored night watchman, on a charge of murder. The boy died twenty minutes after he reached Garfield Hospital.

Young Bayliss, who lived at 423 Shepard street, was with two playmates, Ernest Carneal and Clarence Niedomanski. They were playing in a row of houses nearing completion, which Chase was employed to watch.

About 6 o'clock, Chase entered the room in which they were romping. The boys, Carneal and Niedomanski, say he drew a revolver and flourishing it cried: "This is how I'm going to shoot him," meaning a man who owed him money. It was said.

Girls at Chevy Chase Play Leap Frog After Drilling

Ten hours' hard work a day is enough for some people, but not for all of the supposed "idle rich" who are taking a course at the girls' National Service School out at Chevy Chase.

The other evening one of the girls blew up to the captain of her company. "Look here," she said, "we are not getting enough exercise. We want to do something; can't we get up some foot races?"

The captain looked at the fresh young enthusiast, who had begun the morning at 6:45 with a vigorous half-hour of setting up exercises. "How about leap frog?" she asked. It proved that leap frog was just what they were looking for, and they played it for half an hour, as enthusiastically as though they had been shut up in the house all day.

Yesterday was a holiday at the camp; CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO.

Late Report Gives Names of Troopers Reported Slain

A late dispatch from Gen. Funston last night stated that three American troopers are known definitely to have been killed and a number wounded in the fight at Glenn Springs, Tex.

Their names are: Killed—Stephen J. Cole, nearest relative, father, address, 331 East Thirty-ninth street, New York City; William Cohen, nearest relative, mother, 229 East Ninety-eighth street, New York City; Lawrence K. Rogers, Danville, Ky.

WILSON LAUDS BIBLE SOCIETY

Says Gospel Is Slowly Weaving Whole World Into One Family.

SPEAKS AT CENTENNIAL

Five Thousand Attend Mass Meeting on Steps of Capitol Presided Over by Vice President.

With an inspiring address by President Wilson, in which he extolled the principles actuating the members of the society, the centennial celebration of the American Bible Society was brought to a close at Memorial Continental Hall yesterday. Preceding the exercises at D. A. R. headquarters a mass meeting, attended by nearly 5,000 persons, was held at the Capitol under the auspices of the society. The celebration will be continued today and tomorrow in New York.

President Wilson said that he was abashed in thinking of the great theme offered for discussion, but felt that the representative of a nation which has been particularly blessed by the widespread illumination of the word of God was under special obligation to be present on such an occasion. Continuing, he said:

"We are celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the American Bible Society. Widespread, systematic missionary work also is modern as gauged by the measures of history, and it is with a sort of feeling that we stand at the youth, at the beginning of the hope of what may be accomplished by these means when we think of its rapid progress and spread.

"Those who weave together the thought and the ideals and the conceptions of mankind also weave together its action. They control the motive forces of humanity if they can control these things. One of the things—almost the only thing—that separate races and nations of men from one another is difference of thought, difference of point of view, prompted by

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DEMANDS MADE FOR MILITIA AT BORDER POINTS

Congress Likely to Be Asked to Take Action at Sessions Today.

RAID AROUSES ANGER

Members of Both Houses Declare More Vigorous Action Must Be Taken.

BATTLE CRIES CAUSE COMMENT

Reports that Bandits Yelled "Viva Carranza" During Invasion of Texas Held by Many as Significant.

A storm of indignation was aroused in Washington yesterday afternoon by the report of the raid on Glenn Springs, Tex., which in many respects exceeded in boldness the attack on Columbus, and in which three American troopers were killed and a number of civilians reported missing.

Members of Congress last night were demanding more vigorous action and insisting that whatever may be the terms of the Scott-Oregon agreement the American troops shall not be withdrawn from Mexico.

There also was a strong demand, which may be heard on the floor of the House and Senate today, that the President call out the National Guard for service on the border.

The seriousness of the situation is increased, it was declared last night, by the fact that during the fight the raiders were shouting first "Viva Villa" and then "Viva Carranza."

New Expedition Favored.

Although the White House refused to make any comment on the latest outrage, officers of the War Department are understood to be in favor of utilizing the opportunity to send a new expedition across the line, thus giving General Pershing an opportunity to shorten his line of communications.

Senator Sheppard, of Texas, received a number of telegrams from Texans living in the Big Bend country, where the raid occurred, appealing for more troops.

The effect of the latest raid, it was predicted, would be to postpone materially the date of the withdrawal of the American expedition; although it was suggested in Mexican quarters that General Carranza might suggest that the American forces could do better if they would confine their operations to defending the American border from the Mexican side.

The first news of the attacks on Glenn Springs and Boquillas reached the Treasury Department yesterday afternoon in the shape of a brief dispatch from the collector of customs at Eagle Pass. At 4 o'clock the War Department got a report from General Funston, which as announced by Major General Tasker H. Bliss, assistant Chief of Staff of the army, placed the number of Villistas at 50 and indicated that the same band attacked both places.

Vulnerable Point for Raid.

Officers at the War Department declared last night that the Mexicans selected a vulnerable point for the raid. The lower tip of the Big Bend country is sparsely populated, and for that reason few American troops have been kept there, most of them being stationed about fifty miles north of the border in this section along the line of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Strong apprehensions are expressed here over the fate of the soldiers and civilians reported missing. It is feared that if they were captured by the bandits they probably have been put to death.

SAYS VILLA ORDERED RAID.

Mexico City, May 7.—It was officially declared today that Pablo Lopez was given a hearing at Chihuahua City, and that he declared that he attacked Columbus on Villa's orders, and he himself was wounded in one of the barracks where the Americans were quartered.

Lopez declares he heard Villa swear never to let Americans capture him, as he had determined to use his last cartridge on himself if his escape is cut off.

AND HE'S STILL MAD.

Tenafly, N. J., May 7.—Howard J. Mott, New York broker, is going to press his charge of assault against Mrs. Julia Warden, Tenafly social leader, for the beating she gave him yesterday afternoon while he was superintending work on a road near his estate here.

HARCOURT SUCCEEDS BIRRELL.

London, May 7.—Lewis Harcourt, an Irish Independent, has been appointed secretary of state for Ireland, succeeding Augustine Birrell. It is announced tonight.

TEXAS TOWNS RAIDED BY MEXICAN BANDITS WHO KILL TROOPERS

Three Cavalry Guards and Storekeeper Are Taken Prisoners After Glenn Springs and Boquillas Are Looted and Burned.

10-YEAR-OLD BOY AMONG SLAIN

Defenders Lose Three Killed in Battle Lasting Several Hours—Avenging Force on Way to Punish Band.

(By the Sun News Service.)

El Paso, Tex., May 7.—Mexican bandits crossed the Rio Grande last Friday night into Brewster County, in the Big Bend country of Texas.

They raided and burned two frontier settlements, Glenn Springs and Boquillas, and a wax manufacturing plant and a general store; killed three troopers of the Fourteenth United States Cavalry guarding Glenn Springs, wounded three, and made prisoners of several; two at least, possibly three or four.

They shot to death the 10-year-old son of O. G. Compton at the Ellis & Woods wax plant near Glenn Springs, and carried off a man named Deemer, who ran a general store near Boquillas.

REPORTS OF CASUALTIES VARY.

The region where the latest raid took place is so remote and so poorly supplied with telegraph and transportation facilities that accurate details have been difficult to get. The reports as to the number of killed, wounded and captured are conflicting. Gen. Funston's information is, however, that three soldiers and a boy were shot in the surprise attack against a thinly guarded settlement, three wounded and two made prisoners out of the nine troopers stationed at Glenn Springs.

Troop A of the Fourteenth Cavalry, already is striking south through the rough country from Alpine, Tex., on the Southern Pacific Railway, eighty miles north of the raided district and the nearest railroad points.

MAY CROSS BORDER FOR BAND.

Two more troops of the Fourteenth are on their way by train from El Paso to Alpine, and a machine gun detachment is hastening by railroad from Fort Clark to Alpine.

These troops are commanded by Col. Frederick W. Sibley, whose orders are to get the bandits even if he has to go into Mexico after them. It is unlikely they could be caught this side of the river, since they have two days' start, and are equipped with fine horses stolen from the cavalrymen killed and wounded at Glenn Springs.

Reports from Alpine, Marathon and other towns in the Big Bend say that the sheriff of Brewster County has organized a posse to assist in the chase, and that the Big Bend settlers are enraged. They had appealed vainly to Washington for more protection, pointing out that their part of the frontier was too accessible to be so weakly guarded.

TWO HUNDRED REPORTED IN PARTY.

The bandits were either outright Villistas or members of the former Carranza garrison at Vincente, across the border from Boquillas. It is not known precisely how many of them attacked the settlements. Gen. Funston hears that 200 horsemen were in the party, but doubts so many took part. He believes that fifty would be nearer the truth.

They forded the river at a point south of Terlingua, Tex., rode north for a few miles, and then turned east, taking an old wagon road which winds through the hill country near the river. At about 11 o'clock on Friday night they reached the little town of Glenn Springs, where nine troopers of the Fourteenth Cavalry, under Sergt. Smith, were encamped just outside the town. The attack was a complete surprise. The troopers, fired on from all sides, tried first to save their horses. Privates Cole and DeFries, of the detachment, were killed near the corral while trying to drive the horses into the open country.

SMOKE SCREENS U. S. TROOPERS.

Probably every man in the detachment along the Texas-Mexican border in what is known as the Big Bend country, a vast and thinly settled region north of a great crook in the Rio Grande, and which has always been a resort for smugglers, a hunting ground for cattle thieves and bandits, and a fighting ground for the Texas Rangers and United States cavalrymen.

Stores Are Looted.

The bandits rode boldly into Boquillas, looted the stores and set fire to all of the buildings and then turned toward Deemer's store, a general supplies headquarter, two and a half miles east of the settlement. Taking everything of value that could be carried away, they cleaned out Deemer's place, burned it and carried off the proprietor.

Champ Wood, a son of J. H. Wood, superintendent of the International Mining Co., which operates seven miles south of Boquillas, in Mexico, was at Deemer's when the bandits rode up, but managed to escape to the North ranch three miles north. It was young Wood who sent the first news of the raid to Marathon, from which it reached Alpine, and this city.

Governor Ferguson ordered a detachment of the rangers south from Marfa this afternoon to investigate the situation. Fifty armed citizens left Marathon this afternoon also, a message to this city stated, with the purpose of pursuing the bandits and of protecting the distressed ranchers and small settlements.

Strike Parley Still On.

New York, May 7.—G. W. W. Hanzer, United States mediator, has announced that the conferences for the prevention of a general strike of railroad telegraphers and signalmen were being continued but that the negotiations between the New York Central Railroad and the Brotherhood of Railroad Telegraphers had reached a stage which would not allow a definite announcement.

Nude Man Seeks Millionaire.

New York, May 7.—While women on board a near-by ferryboat fed a man, entirely nude, climbed from the East River to the New York Yacht Club landing at Twenty-third street, and inquired for William K. Vanderbilt. The man was invited into a waiting-room, clad in a jumper and a pair of overalls and later transferred to the psychopathic ward of Bellevue Hospital.