

STEFFENS RAPS MEXICAN POLICY

Tells Forum Wilson Should Let Country Work Out Own Salvation.

SAYS VILLA WILL ESCAPE

Magazine Writer Charges Wilson Sent Troops After Bandit for Political Effect at Home.

Lincoln Steffens, one of the most forceful magazine writers in the United States, believes that President Wilson erred when he landed troops at Vera Cruz, Mexico, and when he sent American troops into that country in chase after Pancho Villa. He also says that if the United States will give the Mexicans ten or twenty years they can work out their own national salvation.

Mr. Steffens addressed the Grover Cleveland Forum in the Public Library yesterday afternoon and reviewed the history of the Mexicans under Porfirio Diaz, Madero, Huerta, Carranza and other chiefs.

"I think the reason for President Wilson's interference at Vera Cruz and the present invasion of that beautiful country was his fear of you and me as voters," said Mr. Steffens. "He was afraid we might turn against him at the polls if he did not show his hand."

"Americans cannot understand Mexican. There is nothing that pleases a Mexican so much as to make a beautiful article. There is nothing that pleases the American so much as to make one million dollars in a short space of time. The Mexicans want a democracy; we have no democracy in this country. They want a government without bosses, here we have little except bosses who make the people rule against themselves. We do not control anything because we have given the power of control to the special privileges.

Praises Porfirio Diaz.

"Porfirio Diaz was a great man. He was an Indian, just as 95 per cent of the people in Mexico are. He thought he was doing the right thing when he listened to the privileged class and did as they asked, because he wanted Mexico to grow into a powerful nation."

"Later Diaz saw that he had erred and went away, leaving Madero to rule after his revolution which had been caused by the community lands law. Madero has been called a 'crazy man,' but every leader who has led the people has been termed by a similar name. Immediately the interests drew about him and they got him."

"Carranza went to Mexico City, saw the condition of things, and warned Madero that these interests would take his power from him and betray his cause. To which the President answered, 'Never.' Carranza told him his enemies would kill him, and later summoned his (Carranza's) troops to their colors. Madero was killed by Huerta and the group of agents of the special interests, and the Mexicans today believe that the American Ambassador knew beforehand the plans of the murderer."

Says Huerta Had Few Friends.

"Huerta had no friends in Mexico except the foreign interests and a portion of his army. If a man did not do as he wished, that man was taken out and shot. And the surprising thing is that Americans abroad believe that should be done. The Mexican people did not believe in Huerta, and even if President Wilson would have recognized him they would not have been satisfied."

"The revolution broke out anew and Carranza was put in office as the first chief. Carranza doesn't dare be known as a friend of America, because the people in Mexico hate us for our money-grabbing system. Carranza is trying to build up a Mexico for Mexicans. He has made a law that unused land, owned by the interests, must pay more taxes than the used land. Of course, this makes William Randolph Hearst, with his 1,000,000 acres of land, very angry and he will have to sell it off quickly and cheaply."

"If we will let them alone, the Mexicans will grow into a great people, and we will not become a puppet, but we will be satisfied, which is more than we in this country can say of ourselves."

Thinks Villa Will Escape.

Mr. Steffens voiced the opinion that the American troops would never catch Villa.

In next Friday evening the forum will hold a social meeting at the Grover Cleveland School, at which Miss Margaret Wilson and the other speakers who have addressed the gatherings will be invited.

At the final gathering of the forum, next Sunday, Miss Wilson will be the presiding officer.

CUT OFF HIS OWN FOOT WITH HIS POCKETKNIFE

President of Dredging Company Saved His Own Life and Got to a Hospital.

Redwood City, Cal., May 7.—By amputating his left foot with a pocketknife, L. H. Beck, of Berkeley, Cal., president of the South Bay Shell Company, saved himself the other day from being drawn into the machinery of a dredge which he was operating.

After releasing himself, he applied a tourniquet and then directed his transportation by launch and handcar to this city.

When Beck's foot caught in the revolving machinery the workers of the dredge lost their heads. Finding himself being dragged slowly into the machinery, Beck realized, he said, that his only chance was to help himself, the workmen seemingly being unable to help him.

Lambda Kappa Girls Dance.

Following their ninth annual banquet at the New Ebbitt Saturday evening, the members of the Lambda Kappa Sorority, of Eastern High School, and their escorts danced in the crystal room until midnight. At the banquet, Miss Elsie Yost was toastmaster, and the following members responded to toasts: Misses Margaret Wilson, Theresa Palmer Bean, Margaret Cunningham Lucas, Helen Wann, Mays Tull Varela, Selma Yost, Dorothy Lee, Margaret Jester, and Sarah Louise Long. Other members present were Misses Helen Myers, Caryl Walker Winter, Carrie Brummitt, Mae DeShields, Rebbie McKenzie, Dorothy Bruening, Mabel Ewing, Esther Gude, Edna Ellis, Margaret Moore, Thelma Davis, Ayla Howell, Dorothy Sternberg, Emma Corder, Clara Bradbury, Edna Shaw, Edith Barnes, Dorothy Smoot, Eloise Tebbe, Helen Crain and Katherine Howell.

To Lecture on Merchant Marine.

Benjamin J. Merchant, vice president of the National Business League of America, and a prominent Chicago manufacturer, will address the Washington Chamber of Commerce on "Preparedness and an American Merchant Marine" in the rooms of the chamber Tuesday night.



"SAVE THE BABIES" Washington's Better Baby Campaign All This Week

It is to make everybody, old and young, think about the Babies, the things to do for Babies, and to learn more about how to keep them well, healthy, and develop them into sturdy children.

You are going to hear much about Babies all this week—in the street cars, in the movies, churches, parks, lectures and newspapers. It is one great, grand movement for **BETTER BABIES, BETTER MOTHERS, BETTER CITIZENS, BETTER CITY.**

THE COMPLETE BABY STORE

If you are not already familiar with the Baby Store you should become acquainted with it this week. It is as much of a pet and pride with us as the baby is to the mother or home. The Baby Store is, we believe, unsurpassed in convenience, arrangement and beauty and suitability of displays and furnishings. In it you will find articles of apparel and many accessories and dainty things of an exclusive character for the baby, from the time he makes his bow to the world until he reaches the age of 6 years.

The following list has been prepared for mothers and prospective mothers, giving suggestions and quantities it is wise to prepare:

- 6 Straight Bands or Binders. Flannel, 25c; "Arnold" knit, 30c.
- 4 Shirts. (Always wise to prepare the second size.) Cotton, 25c; light-weight wool, 30c; medium-weight wool, 35c; heavy-weight wool, 55c; heavy silk and wool, 80c and 1.00; light silk-and-wool, 75c; silk, 1.25.
- 1 Dozen Diapers (Hemmed). 18-inch, \$1.25; 20-inch, \$1.50; 22-inch, \$1.75; 24-inch, \$2.00; 27-inch, \$2.50 dozen.
- 1 Dozen "Arnold" Diapers. 18-inch, \$2.25; 20-inch, \$2.75; 22-inch, \$3.25; 24-inch, \$3.75 dozen.
- 1 Dozen Inside Pads for "Arnold" Diapers. 18-inch, \$1.12; 20-inch, \$1.37; 22-inch, \$1.62; 24-inch, \$1.87 dozen.
- 3 Pinning Blankets. Flannel, \$1.00 each.
- 4 Flannel Petticoats. Flannel (cambic or nainsook waists), 75c; \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$5.00; flannel (Gerttrude style), \$1.50 and \$2.25; "Arnold" (Gerttrude style), \$1.75 and \$2.00.

- 4 to 6 Nainsook Slips. 30c, 75c; \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00.
- 4 to 6 Dainty Dresses. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.75, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00 and \$25.00.
- 4 White Nainsook Batiste Petticoats. 30c, 75c; \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00 and \$6.75.
- 2 Flannelette Wrappers. 50c and \$1.25.
- 2 Cashmere or Albatross Wrappers. \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$5.00, \$6.75, \$7.50 and \$10.00.
- 2 Cashmere Sacques. \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.75 and \$5.00.
- 4 Pair Hose. Cotton, 25c; all-wool cashmere, 25c; silk and wool, 37 1/2c; silk, 50c.
- 4 Pair Booties. 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 pair.
- 1 Bath Apron. 50c and \$1.25.
- 4 Bath Towels. 15c each; "Arnold," 30c.

- 4 Wash Cloths. 5c, 6c and 8c each.
- 1 Yard Stork Cloth or Stockinette. Yard wide, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
- 2 Mattress Protectors. 60c each.
- 1 Trimmed Toilet Basket. \$3.50, \$5.00 or \$7.50. The toilet basket should be equipped with a toilet set of celluloid, consisting of a powder box, soap box, soft brush and comb, at \$1.25, \$2.25, \$2.75 to \$3.50; powder puff of swan's down, 25c; pure Olive Oil Castile Soap, 15c.
- 1 Water Bottle. Covered in pink or blue crocheted silk, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.
- 6 Sheets. 50c and \$1.00 each.
- 1 Blanket. 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 or \$2.50.
- 1 Pillow. Down, 50c, 75c and \$1.25 each; hair, \$1.00 each; all size 13x17 inches.

- 4 Pillow Covers. 50c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00.
- 1 Cashmere Coat. \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00 each.
- 1 Cap. Lawn or silk, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00.
- 6 Bibs. 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$3.00 and \$5.00.
- 1 Shirt Frame. 50c.
- 1 Hose Frame. 15c and 17c each. Average length of dresses and petticoats, 27 inches. Length of coat, 30 inches. Average size cap for infant, 12 inches. Hose, size No. 4. Average assortment of diapers, 2 dozen 20-inch, 3 dozen 24-inch. Average size pillow, 13x17 inches. General usage—pink for boy; blue for girl.

We invite particular attention to the New Handmade Long Dresses for Infants, and emphasize the excellence of the values.

For instance, the \$1.00 Handmade Long Dress is unusual, it being very seldom that a handmade garment is sold at this price is seen. It is of lawn, finely ruffled and trimmed with French knots and lace edge, a handmade nainsook slip is gathered at neck and trimmed with fine lace. Handmade Nainsook Dresses, with yoke of fine tucks, featherstitching and embroidery sprays, \$2.50 and Fine Pointed Yoke Nainsook Dresses, trimmed with hand-embroidered sprays and featherstitching, and neck and sleeves edged with lace, \$2.75. At \$3.50 is a Nainsook Dress, beautifully hand made and showing this fact by its delicateness; yoke and sleeves trimmed with fine shirring, featherstitching and lace edge.

Practical Baby Needs

On our Fourth floor, adjoining the Toy Department we have arranged a wonderful display of the Practical Needs for the Baby, including Carriages, Go-Carts, Go-Baskets, Sulkies, High-Chairs, Kiddie Koops, Yards, Hammocks and other comforts.

Baby Carriages—the largest display we have ever had, in plain white enamel, gray, tan, brown and natural, some of the white are trimmed with blue in pretty combination; all fitted with fine removable upholstered cushions, priced from \$17.50 to \$55.00. We especially emphasize the value we offer at \$25.00.

Go-Carts, Stationary Go-Carts, Folding Go-Carts, Sulkies, Go-Baskets and Strollers at a wide price range.

Kiddie Koops, a vehicle that answers as a crib, indoor carriage and play yard; absolutely safe, \$15.00.

Baby Walkers, \$2.50 each.
Baby Couch Hammocks, \$2.00 and up.
Baby Yards, \$2.50 and up.
Baby Gates, 3 to 7 ft. sizes, \$1.00 and up.
High and Three-Quarter Chairs, \$1.50 and up.

WHITE DRESSES

2 to 6-year Sizes.
Simple and attractive dresses, and remarkably good qualities for the prices. For instance, a dress at 50c is made of nainsook and has a fine tucked yoke and hemstitched neck and sleeves trimmed with lace edge, and a dress at 75c is of nainsook, with yoke of fine tucks and neck and sleeves featherstitched and finished with ribbon-run beading. Dresses at \$1.00 are of nainsook, finely tucked, featherstitched and trimmed with French knots to form yoke; neck and sleeves edged in lace and skirt finely tucked; White Lawn Dresses, with tucked yoke and turn-over collar and cuffs, are featherstitched and trimmed in pink and blue, \$1.25; White Nainsook Dresser, with yoke and sleeves smocked in pink or blue and with lace edge on neck, \$1.50 each.

SUMMER COATS

1 and 2-year Sizes.
SILK AND WOOL COATS.
Fashioned of cashmere, crepe de chine, silk, Bedford cord and corduroy and trimmed with hand-embroidered sprays, lace insertions and edges, some with large capes and others with small collars and turn-back cuffs; silk or sateen lined.
Priced from \$5.00 to \$15.00.

WHITE PIQUE COATS.

Pique is prettier than ever and the qualities of which these coats are made wash perfectly. The box style, with turn-over collar and cuffs, is very pretty, and another has large cape, with hand-embroidered sprays and scalloped edge. A beautiful little model has turn-over collar and cuffs, with flare skirt and a high-waist or empire effect; belted backs or belted all-around styles.
Priced from \$5.00 to \$7.50.

WHITE DRESSES AND HATS

2 to 6-year Sizes.
Dresses of white lawn, voile and dimity, showing the flaring skirts, hand-embroidery, dainty laces, fine tucks, ribbon-run beading, small ruffles on the pretty flaring skirts, ribbon bows, and pink or blue smocking. There are simple and elaborately trimmed effects. Made in empire and long-waist styles, square and round-yoke effects, long and short sleeves. Priced from \$1.50 to \$4.50.
White Mull Hats; the most refined and becoming little Lingerie Hats to be had—of fine lawn or dotted Swiss in mushroom shape, trimmed with fine lace ruffles and pink or blue ribbon bands and bows. Priced from \$2.25 to \$7.50.

COLORED DRESSES

1 and 2-year Sizes.
Plain Green Chambray Dresses, high-waist effect, with rep collar and cuffs and set-in pockets; may also be had in blue, rose and pink; \$2.00.
Hand-smocked Blue Chambray Dresses, finished with small pearl buttons and rep collar and cuffs; \$2.50.
Dainty High-waist Chambray Dresses, with shirring and crocheted button trimmings; collar and cuffs of white rep. The colors are pink and blue, and the price, \$2.75.
Children's Russian Dresses of chambray, with white pique belt, collar and cuffs; plaited skirt; shades are blue, tan, brown and yellow; \$3.00.
Two-piece Dresses, with plain pink chambray waist, hand smocked at yoke and belt; striped plaited skirts, with turn-over collar, cuffs and belt; in blue, green and tan shades; \$3.50.

Baby Gifts

Our Baby Store provides for many attractive gift selections, and those who are seeking gifts to lay at the altar of the newly arrived Babe will find many suitable ones, a few of which we suggest:

- Pink and blue armlets, 50c.
- Bootees of all sorts, in pink, blue and white, 25c to \$1.25.
- Silk bonnets, trimmed with embroidery, laces, frills and fluffy ribbon bows, 50c to \$7.50.
- Toilet baskets, daintily trimmed, for comb and brush, \$3.50; separate combs and brushes, 50c and 75c.
- Carriage straps with toys attached to them, \$1.25.
- Toilet sets of white celluloid, daintily decorated in appropriate designs, \$1.25 to \$3.50.
- Moccasins of soft leather, 50c pair; white silk stockings to match, 50c pair.
- Celluloid balls on string, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.
- White enamel toilet chairs, \$7.50.

All gifts for Babies will be neatly packed in pretty boxes and daintily arranged to make even more attractive for presentation.

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