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## VEILED THREAT SENT TO U. S. IN CHALLENGE FROM MEXICO

### Provisional President Chazaro Declares America Has No Right to Intervene, Saying He Can Cope With Situation.

Coming With Expedition to Guaymas, Note Worries Officials — Considered With Other Replies by Cabinet.

Denying the right of the United States to "dictate" to the people of Mexico, and significantly adding that the convention forces were prepared to "maintain the dignity of the Mexican nation and people," Provisional President Chazaro of the conventional faction controlling Mexico City, today practically challenged any attempt on the part of the United States to intervene by armed force.

This development, coming at a time when the Washington government is anxiously awaiting the outcome of the naval expedition sent to Tobari Bay to protect the lives of the American colonists in the Yaqui valley, caused a flurry of excitement throughout official circles.

### CABINET READS NOTE.

The Cabinet, which met at the White House shortly after the Chazaro pronouncement was received, had the document before it during a session practically devoted to consideration of the Mexican situation.

### Anxiety Felt Here.

Profound anxiety is manifest in official circles here over the outcome of the expedition sent to Guaymas.

### LOSES ACTION FOR FLAT PHONE RATE

Justice McCoy Decides in Favor of Chesapeake Co. in Suit of J. L. Heiskell.

## McAdoo Denies He Will Be Premier

### Wants to Continue As Secretary of Treasury to Carry Out His Policies.

An intimation quietly passed out by Secretary McAdoo through the Treasury Department today disposed of reports that he might receive the State portfolio.

## TWO STATES SWEEP BY WIND AND RAIN

### Cloudbursts, Hail, and Flood Accompany Storms in Kansas and Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 18.—Cloudbursts, hail, winds and tornadoes swept Kansas and part of Missouri, early today. One man is dead here, victim of the storm.

## PRESIDENT ACCEPTS PEACE RESOLUTIONS

### Presented by Delegation Representing the National Women's Trade Union League.

"Of course, we all want peace."

In this manner President Wilson replied today to a delegation of women representing the National Women's Trade Union League, who called at the White House to present two sets of resolutions, condemning the "poison of militarism which has permeated the affairs of Mexico, interfering with an embargo on the exportation of war munitions."

## BUFFALO'S GOLFER LEADING TOURNEY

### Robert MacDonald Turns in Card of 73 in National Open Championship.

HALTUSROL GOLF CLUB, SHORT HILLS, N. J., June 18.—Robert MacDonald, Buffalo, turned in a 73 score in the National Open Golf Championship tournament today and is now leading in the tourney with a total score of 222.

## BERNSTORFF TELLS LANSING EMBASSY HAS NOT DECEIVED

### Ambassador Denies Knowing Any Alfred Meyer, Connected With German Government, and That Meyer-Gerhard Was Decoy.

State Department Officials and Kaiser's Envoy Fear Effect of Alleged Hoax on Lusitania Negotiations.

Ambassador von Bernstorff called at the State Department today and in a personal conference with Secretary Lansing entered a sweeping denial of the allegations that Dr. Alfred Meyer had been impersonating Dr. Meyer-Gerhard, that Dr. Meyer-Gerhard had been dealing in war supplies while masquerading as a Red Cross delegate, and that Dr. Meyer has used Meyer-Gerhard as a decoy to effect his escape from this country.

### WORRIED ABOUT "HOAX."

After seeking Secretary Lansing, the ambassador conferred with Chandler Anderson, special counselor of the department.

The ambassador came here from New York to see Mr. Lansing and enter his denial. Both he and the Department are apparently considerably worried over the stories about Meyer-Gerhard and Meyer, fearing they may have an adverse effect on the present negotiations with Germany over the Lusitania case.

## TROUSERS FIGURE IN "CRIBBING" CHARGES

### Rumor They Were Used for Copying Press for "Exam" Questions Is Probed.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 18.—Rumors of the purchase of the white trousers of an Academy messenger who had sat upon a mimeograph sheet containing examination questions, constituted a novel sidelight in the investigation here today of the charges of "cribbing" against certain midshipmen.

### Excuses For Missing "Dope."

Nevertheless, the new-fangled "cribbing" rumor caused the investigators and the audience to give heed, despite the disclaimers of the witness to take the matter seriously.

## BATTLE NEAR WATERLOO ON 100TH ANNIVERSARY

PARIS, June 18.—Eighty miles from the battlefield of Waterloo, where Napoleon was crushed 100 years ago today, a French army is hurling itself against the Germans before Lens, in one of the greatest battles since the beginning of the fighting on the Marne.

## WINE AND WATER TO CHRISTEN ARIZONA

### Both "Dry" and "Wet" Sentiment Back Home Will Be Satisfied Tomorrow.

The superdreadnaught Arizona will be christened at New York tomorrow with champagne, and a bottle of water also will be broken over her bow for good measure.

### Must Have "Punch" in It.

Governor Hunt, of Arizona, who is here at the head of the party on the way to christen the battleship, is a Democrat. The responsibility of deciding about the christening was put up to him by the Navy Department.

### Leave Capital For New York.

Senator Ashurst explained that the water was Haasayampa water, taken from the first water over the Roosevelt dam.

## FRENCH PRISONERS WORK IN SWAMPS

### German Announces New Method of Retaliation in Tropical Africa.

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville, N. Y.), June 18.—In retaliation for alleged brutal treatment of German prisoners in tropical Africa, the government announced today that French war prisoners will be compelled to cultivate swamps in different parts of the empire.

## Ty Cobb Holds Up Uncle Sam's Work

### Baseball Hero Visits Commerce Department and Wheels of Government Stop.

Ty Cobb, greatest of all modern ball players, was the unwitting cause of an almost complete shut down of activity in the Department of Commerce this morning.

## FRANCE LAUNCHES GIGANTIC DRIVE AS RUSS MEET CHECK

### Desperate Battle Rages North of Arras Where Germans Struggle Against Advancing Lines Bent On Possession of Lens.

### LINES PIERCED AT FOUR POINTS

### Russian Frontier Crossed By Mackensen's Left Wing As Great Battle For Lemberg's Control Impends—Two Armies Approach City.

On the 100th anniversary of the battle of Waterloo, the French have launched the mightiest offensive of the entire campaign in Flanders.

According to meagre and strictly censored dispatches, a terrific battle is raging north of Arras for the possession of Lens and its control of the German railway communications.

The German war office admitted this afternoon that French troops had penetrated the German trenches at four different points.

At Souchez, almost encircled by the French forces, the battle rages with intense fury, the French artillery pounding at the strongholds, while line after line of infantry is being hurled against the German trenches.

The war office declares that no statements will be given out for twelve hours. Feverish excitement is manifested in Paris as the climax of the French drive is awaited.

While this struggle in the western theater is being decided the Austro-German forces have crossed the Russian border, thrown back the Russian lines upon the Tanef river and, from further south, have smashed their way across the Dniester, advanced from Przemysl and Jaraslou, and forced the Slav defense back upon Grodek, fifteen miles from Lemberg.

## GERMANS BATTLE TO SAVE LINES AT LENS

PARIS, June 18.—On an eight-mile front north of Arras, a furious battle over wrecked trenches and over hillsides strewn with corpses is marking the centenary of Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo.

### Kaiser's Forces Flank Czar's Positions While Contest Still Rages

LONDON, June 18.—Austro-German troops have crossed the Dniester, fifteen miles northeast of Stanislau.

Excursions to Virginia Every Saturday and Sunday. Very low fares. Southern Railway.—Adv.