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GOVERNMENT DRIFTING TOWARD BREAK WITH CARRANZA

UNCLE SAM RECOGNIZES BISMARCK

Government Makes Capital City Distributing Point For 16 Counties

ENDORSEMENT OF ITS COMMERCIAL ADVANTAGES

Supplies For 250 Postoffices will Be Furnished From Here

The Commercial club this week reports Uncle Sam's official endorsement of Bismarck as a trading center. One of the most important departments of the United States government has made the Capital City a supply station for sixteen counties—one quarter of the entire state.

Effective this month supplies for 250 postoffices in sixteen counties in the southwestern quarter of North Dakota will be shipped by freight to Bismarck and distributed hence by mail. Thru this order Bismarck becomes one of four such supply stations in North Dakota, the others being Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot.

The supplies to be distributed through the Bismarck "jobbing center" will inculde all blanks, forms and and similar materials utilized in handling Uncle Sam's mails—practically everything that a postoffice uses or sells, with the exception of stamps and stamped paper. It will mean that 250 postoffices which heretofore were compelled to rely on freight shipments coming all the way from national capital, or which Uncle Sam was required to serve by long-distance, expensive mail routes, now will be supplied from Bismarck, at a saving of time and expense.

A few years ago, with considerable difficulty, a new rural route was established out of Bismarck. Every-other-day service was inaugurated. A few weeks ago this service was made daily, and the business now handled by this route—the actual volume of mail matter delivered, as well as the quality of the same—is so far above the average for the United States, that it has become a subject for comment.

Postoffice "Some Industry"

To take care of the increased "wholesale" business of the Bismarck postoffice, as well as the rapidly growing "retail" trade, two men recently have been added to the local force which now numbers twenty. The Bismarck postoffice, occupying the main floor of our beautiful, three-story-and-basement Federal building, is no mean "infant industry" in itself. It employs high-grade, well-paid labor. And its staff is increasing in size more rapidly, probably, than that of any other one enterprise in the Capital City.

"There is a Reason"

In 1910 the receipts of the Bismarck postoffice were $38,561.17; in 1915, they were $74,486.28. The receipts for 1916 will be far greater than those for 1915. Every month to date has shown a decided gain over the similar month one year ago. This showing, coupled with the fact that the receipts of one local railway office for one month of April were greater by the neat sum of $15,000.00 than those for the same month one year ago, furnishes proof that "Bismarck is Growing."

Bismarck Banking Gains

Bismarck bank deposits in 1911 were $1,591,000.00; the last quarterly statement for 1916, showed deposits in excess of $4,110,000.00

Bismarck building invesments this year will more than double those for the greatest preceding year in the history of the Capital City—1915, when $350,000.00 was invested in construction—and this without considering a several hundred thousand dollar paving project.

"Bismarck is growing."

SENATOR ROOT ON PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

Utica, N. Y., June 17.—In his first public utterance since the Republican National convention, former Senator Elihu Root laid down the issues of the presidential campaign at the new home of the Utica club.

"It is a campaign," he said, "which is to strike off the shackles of the mind and wake up from the lethargy of mere business and leisure, the patriotic people of America, who had forgotten that to preserve their liberty and their justice, they must be alive, vigilant, active and self-sacrificing."

Describing the Democratic party, he said:

"For it the government is a cow to be milked, and not a mistress to be served."

RETREAT, NOT VICTORY, WINS FAME FOR HEAD OF RUSS DRIVE

GENERAL A. A. BRUSSILOFF

It was a retreat, not a great victory, that won for Gen. Alexis A. Brussiloff the honor of leading the huge Russian offensive now battering the Austro-German lines along the Galician and Volhynian fronts!

The man who leads the forces that threaten to retake the Austrian territory from which they were driven in May, 1915, is the same soldier who brought the Russians back across the Carpathians from the edge of the plains of Hungary and kept them from annihilation at the hands of the victorious Austrians and their German reinforcements.

Although Gen. Brussiloff led his army across the mountains in the days when the Russian steam roller was grinding its way toward the heart of Hungary, it was not this feat which won for him an undying fame.

It was the masterly retreat by which he brought his divisions back still intact that boosted him to a place in the first rank of the czar's commanders.

When Russia had pulled up enough men and cannon and shells to renew the great adventure Brussiloff was chosen to lead the most tremendous drive that the czar's forces have undertaken since the war began.

In the days before the European war Brussiloff had not yet won fame on any battlefield. In the Japanese war he was stationed with the reserves and never got anywhere near the fighting line.

He had won considerable note as a cavalryman, and was on the staff of one of the great cavalry schools that the Grand Duke Nicholas established.

Mrs. Charles Johnson, the general's sister-in-law, now a resident of New York, describes him thus as she last saw him when they parted several years before the war:

"I remember him now as he stood there with his slender form, his very plentiful black hair, rather gray, his kindly though quizzical eyes and winning smile."

GIRL TELLS OF ORPET'S TEMPER

Ten Companions of Marion Lambert Are Called by the State.

Waukegon, June 17.—Ten school girls testified for the state today in the case of Will H. Orpet, who is charged with the murder of Marion Lambert. All were at Marion's birthday party, February 6, three days before her death, and all testified that she was cheerful and happy. Tears came to her eyes as they did to those of Anna Paulson, because the latter could not spend the night with her, as had been a birthday custom with them for years.

The most interesting testimony came from Florence Russell, who slept that night with Marion, and they talked of Will Orpet and of his temper.

MILWAUKEE MEN VOTE TO STRIKE

More Than 2,600 Telegraphers and Station Agents Demand More Pay.

Sioux City, Ia., June 17.—More than 2,600 telegraphers and station agents on the C. M. & St. P. railroad have voted nearly unanimously to strike, if the company again refuses their demands for shorter hours and increased pay. The result of the strike vote was: Yes, 2,550; No, 6.

The men, who would be affected by the strike, would include in addition to the operators and station agents, the "staff men," telegraph operators and tower operators, or "levermen."

The whole Milwaukee system would be affected.

VOLKSZEITUNG OUT FOR HUGHES

St. Paul, Minn., June 17.—The Volkszeitung, a leading German daily paper, has come out for Hughes.

Body of Judge W. A. Lawler Found in Pool of Water

Huntvilla, Ala., June 17.—Two companies of the Alabama National Guard were sent here tonight from neighboring towns to protect persons arrested, after the body of W. A. Lawler, of the Madison county probate court, had ben found today in a pool of water near here. One report tonight said the men arrested had been removed to other cities. The sheriff refused to give his prisoners' names.

Judge Lawler had just been renominated on a "dry ticket," after a bitter political fight. News of the finding of his body with two bullet holes in the heart, and the skull crushed, caused a crowd to gather about the court house square, and while most people had gone to their homes tonight, excitement was still high. The three or four men arrested were described as men prominent in the community. Other arrests, it was said, would be made.

Judge Lawler, according to county officials, had an engagement Wednesday night to meet a political opponent at the court house. Search was begun today on the theory that the probate judge had been kidnapped. His body was found in 15 feet of water, weighed down with iron.

Investigation by a coroner's jury was begun tonight, and it was announced Monday a new grand jury would be empaneled to investigate the affair.

CAPITAL CITY CARRIES OFF THE HIGHEST HONORS

Bismarck Men Get the Much-Sought Beauty Prize of the Elks.

JAMESTOWN AWARDED PRIZE FOR NUMBERS

Annual Convention in Dickinson Closes in a Blaze of Glory.

Dickinson, N. D., June 17.—The Annual State convention of the "Best People on Earth" came to a close tonight in a blaze of glory.

Bismarck carried off the honors, winning first prize for best appearance in the parade. Jamestown got the prize for the largest delegation.

This morning the visiting bands joined forces and rendered a concert. Over 125 musicians took part.

At 10:30 this morning occurred the big parade in which the various lodges vied for the prizes and honors for the lodge having the largest membership in line, the lodge making the best appearance, and the lodge presenting the most unique array of costumes.

This afternoon the grand finals of the winners of the elimination contests of Friday are participating in the wild west show for the prizes offered for broncho riding, steer roping, calf branding, fancy and trick roping, steer riding, steer bulldogging and bareback riding.

Another band concert will be featured this evening and the two day blaze of glory will end this evening with a grand ball.

Never did a city in North Dakota exert itself so generally towards improving its appearance and putting on holiday attire than has Dickinson. Not a single post, wire, sign, show window, wagon, building, automobile or thing movable or immovable but has been garlanded in the purple and white and the red, white and blue.

Purple and white streamers are strung across the streets while the street lights and white way system bulbs have been made to conform to the general color scheme.

NO SLACK IN RUSSIAN DRIVE

Czar's Men Turn West and Southwest and Are Now Near Styr and Stokhod.

London, June 17.—The drive of the Russian offensive in Volhynia, Galicia and Bukowina shows little slackening in power.

From the Volhynia triangle fortress the Russians have rushed sharply to the west and southwest. In the former direction, they are battering on the Austrian defensive line along the Styr and the Stokod, not more than 30 miles from Kovel, the important railway junction essential to close connection between the southern Teutonic armies and those to the north.

Germans Against Russians.

Berlin records the participation of German troops in the fighting against the Russians, reporting Jagow von Lintslinden's forces engaged in the Stokod-Styr sector, and others under Gen. Count von Bothmer, taking part in the battles north of Przewloka.

Artillery Fighting Near Verdun.

Fighting around Verdun has been left to the artillery for the most part. The Germans are violently shelling French positions in the Dead Man hill sector.

Rome announces an important success northeast of Asiago, in the Trentino, where several positions at the head of the Freznewa valley were capturd. Vienna reports the failure of Italian attacks in the Dolomites and likewise of assaults upon the Austrian lines on the Doberdo plateau.

Airmen Active.

Airmen have been unusually active on the various fronts. Italian aeroplanes also have been busy, one squadron of 37 machines dropping proejctiles on Austrian encampments north of Asiago.

Constantinople announces the disorderly retreat of British forces which were defeated in attempting to cross the Euphrates river in Mesopotamia.

An attack by three torpedo boats of the Entente allies on the Austrian sea port of Parenzo, in Istria, was a failure, according to Vienna, Austrian

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MILITIA MAY BE CALLED TO COLORS

Telegram to Governor Hanna Indicates President May Act Soon.

GUARD TO MEET ACT REQUIREMENTS

Acting Secretary of War Urges Prompt Action by North Dakota.

North Dakota's militia may be called out. This is the interpretation put upon the telegram received yesterday by Gov. Hanna, urging him to see that the national guard meets as soon as possible the requirements of the Hay bill, or the military act of June 3, 1916.

Acting Secretary of War Ingraham signed the message. He declares that recognition must be deferred until after receipt of the report that the new contract of enlistment has been made and the new oath of office administered.

Will Get Federal Aid.

Conformation with these requirements will give the militia federal aid.

"I have already taken steps," said Gov. Hanna, "to assist the adjutant general in bringing about the reorganization. Without exception the officers and men are in favor of meeting the requirements.

"Not only this, but the boys are willing and anxious to be called out. Not a day goes by but that I get letters from men asking that in case of trouble with Mexico or other countriees they may be permitted to help raise companies or to serve as chaplains, doctors, officers or privates. Women have also communicated with me, expressing their desire to serve in the Red Cross.

Long Waiting List.

"I believe that I have a longer waiting list of men and women ready to respond to the call of their country than any other governor. The people of North Dakota are not lacking in patriotism."

The National Guard of North Dakota is generally admitted to be second to none and to be far superior to that of most of the states. This will greatly lessen the task of reorganization.

The adjutant general was in Minneapolis yesterday and could not be reached.

Joe Bragdon Found Guilty

Minneapolis, June 17.—Joseph W. Bragdon, a wealthy clubman, was found guilty of an offense against a minor girl by a jury in district court here tonight. A maximum penalty is seven years' imprisonment. This was the third trial of Bragdon, who was indicted following stories told by young girls before the grand jury, which recently conducted a sweeping investigation of vice conditions here. The first trial jury found the defendant not guilty, and the second jury disagreed.

DE FACTO GOVERNMENT HAS SERVED VIRTUAL ULTIMATUM UPON PUNITIVE EXPEDITION

Mexican Consul Closes His Office at Brownsville and Crosses Over to Mexican Soil.

BELIEVED ADDITIONAL MILITIA WILL BE CALLED TO COLORS

Brownsville, June 17.—Carranza Consul J. Z. Garza, stationed here, delivered early tonight General Alfredo Ricaut's ultimatum to General James Parker, Brownsville commander, that unless the Anderson punitive expeditions were withdrawn, an attack would be made by Carranza troops. Immediately after, Consul Garza closed the consulate and moved to Matamoras

Additional United States troops, including a portion of the 28th infantry and the remainder of the Third cavalry under the command of Colonel A. P. Blockson were en route to Saranzos tonight, the point of crossing of a squadron of a Third cavalry into Mexico today, to reinforce those already sent in.

MEXICAN WOMAN ARMED

Fifteen hundred men, even women and girls, were patroling the streets of Matamoras, opposite here, under arms distributed to them today by Alfredo Rieaut, commander of the Carranza garrison here. Intense excitement prevails with the presence of the American troops 10 miles south of the town.

WASHINGTON IS AWAITING MORE DETAILED REPORT

Secretary Baker Lays Mexican General's Ultimatum Before Wilson.

OTHER BORDER RAIDS ARE REPORTED

Washington, June 17.—Confirmation of Gen. Trevino's warning that any movement of American troops in Mexico, except toward the border, would be treated by the Carranza commanders as a hostile act reached the war department late today. Secretary Baker declined to comment or to make public Gen. Trevino's message, or the reply of Gen. Pershing, refusing to recognize the authority of the Carranza general over the American expedition.

While it was apparent that Gen. Pershing's reply would be backed up by officials here, it was not indicated what further action the Washington government might take. Secretary Baker took the text of Gen. Trevino's ultimatum to the White House and conferred with the president tonight.

No Additional Troops.

After his conference with President Wilson, Secretary Baker said he had ordered no additional troops to the border and that Gen. Pershing had asked for no reinforcements.

"I look for no immediate trouble

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Clash With Bandits.

Mexican bandits and United States troops fought on Mexican soil today, after a long chase over the border which started when Lieut. Newman crossed the international boundary on a "hot trail" of the bands which attacked detachments of the 26th infantry near San Benito last night. Reports here indicate that there have been no casualties and tonight the second squadron of the United States 3rd Cavalry, a band of 300 strong, under command of Major Anderson, is sleeping on Mexican soil less than 10 miles from Matamoras, where the Mexican population, fully armed with pistols and rifles, is awaiting developments with anxiety.

Crossing which was started at 10 o'clock, had finished at sundown without mishap of any kind, at a point about 10 miles from here. The point of crossing is known as Naranjos, a small Mexican river settlement.

Within a half hour after the first troop had crossed, volleys of shots were heard from the brushy ambush side of the Mexican border, indicating at least a party of 30 bandits had been encountered. They were known to have been chased across the river by Lieut. A. N. Newman and Troop "H" of the 3rd Cavalry.

Wireless Established.

A field wireless apparatus has been established on the American side of the river tonight, which will keep in close touch with the fourth punitive expedition into Mexico. Troop "H" was the first body of soldiers to cross the river. Most of the day these soldiers engaged shots with bandits, after a small expedition had crossed the Rio Grande, but the sole "casualty" was one Mexican bandit horse.

The situation at Guaymas is critical, due to the inability of the de facto government to redeem the last issue of currency as was promised.

Merchants refused to increase their stock, which can be done only from the United States, and then only for gold, because the de facto officials arbitrarily place a valuation on the goods upon their arrival in the city, and then fix a selling price.

Situation Serious.

United States army officers at headquarters here tonight regarded the Mexican situation as most serious. Assuming that the Mexican de facto government would authorize Gen. Ricaut to carry out his threats to attack any American force that crossed the line into Mexico, some declared that war was almost unavoidable.

That opportunity was presented today, when more than 300 men of the cavalry crossed the river below Brownsville in pursuit of bandits that attacked a little detachment of the 26th Infantry at San Benito last night.

Gen. James Parker, commanding at Brownsville, sent cavalry scouring the country in the vicinity of San Benito and on the "hot trail" discovered by Lieut. Newman, commanding troop H, the Americans were sent toward the border. They trailed across the river, and Lieut. Newman led his troops across late in the forenoon.

Maj. Anderson, with a squad of the same regiment and a machine gun company, closed in on the same trail, and early in the afternoon followed the lieutenant and troops into Mexico. He was too late for the fight, as the bloodless skirmish had taken place already. Troop H engaged the bandits almost immediately after getting on that side, but Gen. Parker indicated that no one on either side was injured. The bandits fled without great resistance. The pursuit was continued. Late today Maj. Anderson had moved his force up the river to-

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Song Composed in Prison To Be Sung in Church

MRS. TRACY WILL SING "PRISONER'S REDEMPTION" TODAY AT FIRST BAPTIST.

"A Prisoner's Redemption," a song written by an inmate of the state penitentiary, will be sung today in the First Baptist church by Mrs. R. A. Tracy.

The song, which tells the story of a prisoner's conversion, is making a hit wherever sung. Not only is it being included in many sacred programs, but in popular programs and home concerts.

The composer was committed on the charge of forgery. But soon after his conviction he became interested in the work of the Society For the Friendless and played the accompaniments for the singers visiting the prison.

From the proceeds of the song, which he wrote soon after his conversion, he has repaid the forged checks and is now a leader in Salvation Army work in a northwestern state.

The song follows:

In the darkest hours of sorrow,
Through the long and sleepless night,
I lay waiting for the morrow,
Which would not bring me any new light;
But, oh, the blessed hour of my awakening
Did come at last when I found the Lord.
Instead of sorrow, it brought me rejoicing,
Peace of mind I gathered from His Holy Word.

Now the hours and days are going
Swiftly by, and far away
I can see the glorious dawning
Of a bright and sunny day.
Saved by Thy holy grace and mighty power,
Let me, oh blessed Lord, start over once more;
Following Jesus through every hour,
Safest pilot, to Thy yonder shore.